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Dear Mr President,

The Sengwer people in Kenya have a deep, centuries-old bond with the Embobut Forest. It's their ancestral land where they have lived for centuries. But this Indigenous community of beekeepers and cattle herders is being violently evicted by the Kenyan government. Forest guards have burned homes and forced thousands off their ancestral land. One man has been shot dead and another seriously injured. The government claims they are acting in the name of conservation, and that the Sengwer people are damaging the land - but there's no evidence of this.

I therefore ask you to let the Sengwer people live on their land in peace. Please ensure that an immediate, independent and thorough investigation takes place into the forced evictions and violence in Embobut forest. I also urge you to engage with the Sengwer community and obtain their consent for a new approach to conservation in Embobut Forest which recognises their role as co-managers, co-conservators and owners of the land.

Yours sincerely,

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