## UGANDA: ENSURE ONLINE SAFETY FOR LGBTQQIA+ PEOPLE

## To: Government of Uganda

Technology facilitated gender-based violence against LGBTQQIA+ people by both state and non-state actors has increased with the passage of the Anti-Homosexuality Act in May 2023. This violence includes doxing, outing, accessing data of people and organizations without their consent, trolling, harassment, threats of physical violence and death, blackmail, extortion, and disinformation, among other tactics.

In many instances, online threats have translated into offline harms, including both verbal and physical attacks, arbitrary arrests and detentions. They have seriously harmed people's mental and physical health, their livelihood and housing, social lives, and ability to freely express themselves or engage in activism.

We call on you to:

- Immediately repeal the Anti-Homosexuality Act, 2023.
- Take all necessary steps to ensure that LGBTQQIA+ people can freely and safely exercise their right to freedom of expression in digital spaces, without fear of discrimination and violence.

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Yours sincerely,



