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Global Doctors for Choice honors Dr. Olimpio Moraes and Dr. Rivaldo Mendes for their integrity as physicians.

These two doctors steadfastly maintained their commitment to medical standards and refused to compromise the patient’s care, despite pressure to abandon her needs.

Drs. Moraes and Rivaldo fulfilled their professional duties towards their patient and acted appropriately within the framework of Brazilian law, which authorizes abortion in the case of rape and if the patient’s life is endangered by continued pregnancy.

Global Doctors for Choice affirms that the physician’s obligation is to the best interests of the patient.

Sincerely,

Global Doctors for Choice