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**TOPIC: MODERN SLAVERY
STATEMENT**

My name is Antonio Isuperio, a human rights activist from Brazil and the son of a domestic worker.

Brazil holds the largest demand for domestic workers in the entire planet. Beyond the precariousness of this occupation, it bears the weight of historical transitions, stemming from the recent shift from slavery to capitalism, the last to be abolished globally, particularly affecting Black individuals in Brazil.

The impact of domestic labor, which fuels the generation of capital and wealth, directly contributes to the incarceration and extermination of Black youth, perpetuating the cycle of poverty among the Black population in Brazil and many parts of the world, as domestic workers lack social mobility opportunities.

Domestic work intersects with individuals with disabilities (comprising a significant portion of contemporary slavery cases), indigenous peoples, and the LGBT+ community, especially transgender individuals.

We must scrutinize the issue of domestic work in Brazil, support the National Federation of Domestic Workers (FENATRAD), and continue the legacy of Laudelina de Campos Mello. Freedom for Sônia Maria de Jesus.