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### Statement of Anika Narayanan

I am so encouraged by this recent decision, and have nothing but pride and gratitude for every person who has been a participant in this narrative: each and every woman who is linked by this shared experience, and each and every person who listened to us and appreciated this experience as serious, wrong, and perhaps most critically, valid. Thank you for helping us challenge this unspeakable and reprehensible conduct. It is incredibly reassuring to finally see promises of institutional change be actualized, but I also must say that it is only after initial efforts of renewal have been implemented and standardized that the real test of change begins. How will we take care of things differently next time? Or rather, more importantly, how are we going to stop 'next time' in its tracks? For now, we can concentrate on this triumph and continue advocating on behalf of the hundreds of women who have waited for so long to be heard. This conversation is far from over, but now more than ever, I am emboldened by the direction it is heading.

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