# Annex 1.

**Table 1.** Description of the Sample

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| **Code of the interview** | **Age** | **Professional occupation** | **Family status** | **Children** | **Type of case** | **Political engagement** |
| L-1 | 45 | CSO | Single | Yes | Administrative case when detained. Under criminal investigation now (left Belarus because of this threat) | Politically activated in 2020 only, with a diverse previous experience in civil society |
| A-1 | 27 | CSO | Married | no | Administrative case when detained. In Belarus | Politically active since 1990 (since she was teenager) |
| N-1 | 33 | CSO | Single | No | Under criminal investigation now and was arrested within the same case. In Belarus | Politically active for all her adult life |
| M-1 | 32 | CSO | Single | No | Administrative case when detained. Under criminal investigation now. Left Belarus because of this threat | Politically active for all her adult life |
| T-1 | 40 | CSO | Married | Yes | Under criminal investigation now and was arrested because of the same case. Left Belarus because of personal reasons | Politically active for all her adult life |
| O-1 | 44 | CSO | Married | No | Administrative case when detained. Might be under criminal investigation now. Left Belarus because of this threat | Politically and civically active for many years |
| K-1 | 23 | IT | Single | No | Administrative case when detained. Left Belarus while she was feeling insecure there | Politically activated only during the electoral campaign 2020 |
| V-1 | 22 | Student / Part-time job | Married | No | Administrative case when detained. Not in Belarus because of feeling unsafe there and because of personal reasons | Politically activated only during the electoral campaign 2020. Not active anymore |
| A-2 | Around 50 | Media | Married | Yes | Arrested because of the criminal case, then released. Left Belarus because of security threats | Politically and civically active for many years |