

16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER VIOLENCE

NOVEMBER 25 – DECEMBER 10, 1995

International Calendar of Campaign Activities

Vienna, Cairo, Copenhagen, Beijing: Bringing Women's Human Rights Home

NOV. 9

- United States, New Brunswick--"Unpacking Beijing: Informal Reflections on The Fourth World Conference on Women" (Women's Studies Program and DC-PLN, Douglass College, Rutgers University)

NOV. 20

- Austria, Vienna--press conference with the Austrian Minister for Women, Helga Konrad, and the Minister for Internal Affairs, Caspar Einem, to announce and promote new legal and social measures against violence against women (Austrian Women's Shelter Network)
- Peru, Lima--march in commemoration of "Day of No Violence against Women" and the "Rights of the Child Day" (Flora Tristan)

NOV. 20-25

- Costa Rica, San José--movie festival with the theme: "Women, Violence and Gender"; ongoing campaign "For a Life Without Violence" on TV, radio and in newspapers; and religious events with church groups "No More Violence Against Women" (Centro Nacional para el Desarrollo de la Mujer y la Familia, CMF)

NOV. 23

- Netherlands, Tilburg--testimonies, slides, poetry and Latin American music to draw attention to the situation of Latin American Women and the role of NGOs and grassroots women's organizations in fostering women's human rights (Sarah Yasmine)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--radio discussion on violence against women (Association for Rural Advancement, AFRA)

NOV. 23 - 25

- Venezuela, Caracas--presentation on violence in the family at the International Symposium on Family Medicine (Asociacion Venezolana Para una Educacion Sexual Alternativa, AVESA)

NOV. 24

- Costa Rica, San José--"Tribunal Sobre Violaciones a Los Derechos Humanos de las Mujeres"-- women will present testimonies of violations of their human rights and a group of honorary judges will support and express their solidarity with the results of the event (Radio Femenista Internacional, Consejo de la Tierra, CODEHU, CODEHUCA, Instituto de Estudios de la Mujer, Colectiva 25 de Noviembre)
- Costa Rica, San José--national march with students of primary and high schools: "Building a World Without Violence, No More Violence Against Women" (Ministry of Education, Ministry of Culture Youth and Sports and National Center for the Development of Women and the Family, CMF)
- Costa Rica, San José--national march with participation of non-governmental organizations: "Women Against Violence" (CMF)
- International--Launching of Human Rights Watch's report on the state's response to rape and domestic violence in South Africa and the release of "Femicide," a report by People Opposing Women Abuse (HRW and POWA)
- Mali, Bamako--national TV debate about different UN mechanisms which address violence against women and how each "legally" prevent gender violence (Association pour le Progres et la Defense des Droits des Femmes Maliennes, APDF)
- Mexico, Yucatan--press conference for the campaign against gender violence (Unidad de Atencion Sicologica, Sexologica y Educativa para el Crecimiento Personal, UNASSE)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--newspaper article on gender violence (AFRA)
- Suriname, Paramaribo--newspaper article to announce planned activities (Foundation Stop Violence Against Women)

NOV. 25

- Aotearoa-New Zealand, Auckland--seminar on women, violence and peace: an analysis of the causes of violence; peace initiatives from the NGO Forum and UN Conference on Women, Beijing; and planning group strategies for 1996 (Good Shepherd Social Justice Commission and Pax Christi)

- Austria, Vienna--public vigils and demonstrations (Women in Black)
- Bangladesh, Dhaka--press conference which addresses agreements made in Beijing, Copenhagen, Cairo and Vienna (Bangladesh Mohila Parishad)
- Bolivia, Tarija--panel on gender violence (Centro Integral de la Mujer)
- Cameroon, Yaounde--conference/debate on "Family Violence: the Case of Young Women" (Association de Lutte contre les Violences Faites aux Femmes)
- France, Paris--national demonstration for women's rights (Coordination des Associations pour le Droit l'Avortement et la Contraception)
- Germany, Berlin--rally calling for solidarity with Sarah Balabagan and other female migrant women (Ban Ying e.V. Koordinationsstelle)
- Ghana, Accra--launching of the Gender Studies and Human Rights Documentation Centre (CUSO)
- India, Cochin--seminar on "Measures Towards Elimination of Gender Violence," involving governmental and NGO leaders and participants from all over the state (Cultural Academy of Peace)
- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on the treatment of women as second class citizens (Annai Indira Sathiya Samuga Nala Mahalir Mandram, AISSNMM)
- Mali, Bamako--official opening of sewing training center for women prisoners (APDF)
- Mexico, Yucatan--city fair, art exhibition, music and information distribution (UNASSE)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--distribution of posters (Rural Women Development Centre)
- Norway, Storgata--announcement at gatherings for the UN Association of Norway, women's groups and NPA-events (Norwegian People's Aid)
- Philippines, Western Mindanao--poster making contest (Upper Patawag Young Farmers Club)
- Serbia, Belgrade--"Take Back the Night" (SOS Hotline for Women and Children Victims of Violence)

- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--Provincial Gender Commission meeting on violence against women (AFRA)
- United Kingdom, London--public meeting on "Prostitution – a Form of Sexual Exploitation" at London Women's Centre (Campaign Against Pornography)
- United Kingdom, London--session on violence against women at the 7th Annual Global Partnership Conference (WOMANKIND Worldwide)
- United Kingdom, Manchester--national demonstration (National Women's Network)
- United States, New York--observance of International Day Against Violence Against Women and the murders of the Mirabel sisters by the Dominican dictator Trujillo in 1960 (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY–New Paltz Women's Studies)

NOV. 25 - DEC. 10

- Bangladesh, Dhaka--articles in dailys and special issue of newsletter dedicated to gender violence and its remedies which includes the full ratification of CEDAW and implementation of ratified clauses (Bangladesh Mohila Parishad)
- Cameroon, Limbe--raising awareness by putting up posters on violence; publication of articles in local newspapers on violence in the family; and giving talks on violence against women (Federacion Internacional de Abogadas–FIDA)
- Fiji, Suva--media campaign on domestic violence; press conferences to publicize international agreements on gender violence; public forum on men taking responsibility; youth perspectives on gender violence; meetings with government; newspaper articles; radio talkbacks; panel discussions; and the distribution of stickers, posters and t-shirts (Fiji Women's Crisis Centre)
- Germany, Berlin--exhibition on female labour migration and gender violence (Ban Ying e.V. Koordinationsstelle)
- India, Kochi--public meetings; discussions over electronic mail; press conferences; publication and exhibition of posters and holding Lok Adalats to express solidarity and support behind the Beijing Platform for Action of the IV World Conference on Women (People's Council for Social Justice)
- Peru, Arequipa--publicity campaign through radio, articles and posters; publication of "Experience in the Creation of Women's Delegations in Southern Peru"; panel on "Sexual Abuse of Minors and Human Rights"; course on "Women's Health and Human Rights"

from a Gender Perspective"; seminar on "Violence Against Women, Law 26260"; and development of proposal to the regional government for the creation of a gender program in Arequipa region (Instituto Laboral para el Desarrollo Regional, ILDER)

- Philippines, Western Mindanao--domestic campaign to remove reservations to women's human rights (Upper Patawag Young Farmers Club)
- Suriname, Paramaribo--radio talks on violence against women to be broadcast over four different stations (Foundation Stop Violence Against Women)
- Turkey, Istanbul--workshops on sexual abuse, women's human rights and International Legal Strategies Against Violence Against Women; conference on women's human rights and International Strategies in Edirne; networking and activism for the Optional Protocol to CEDAW and a film presentation on domestic violence and sexual abuse (Women Living Under Muslim Laws)
- Zimbabwe, Harare--drama presentation, staged in over 20 locations, used to provoke discussions on violence against women in the family, followed by information on the current law, its shortcomings and what members of the community would like to see change (Women in Law and Development in Africa, WILDFAF)

NOV. 26

- Bangladesh, Rajshahi--workshop to involve young women in the Platform for Action beyond Beijing, and discussion of future campaigns for local groups (Association for Community Development)
- Brazil, São Paulo, Santos City--samba music festival with message: "Violence Against Women: Zero Tolerance" (Casa de Cultura da Mulher Negra)
- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on the refusal of equal rights for women (AISSNMM)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--interviews with women in the community (Rural Women Development Centre)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--distribution of pamphlet on gender violence to all church denominations and NGOs in province (AFRA)
- United States, New York--campaign to buy non-violent, non-sexist toys for holiday gifts (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)

NOV. 26 - 28

- Pakistan, Lahore--pamphlets, leaflets and posters on how to combat violence against women distributed to women workers, women's groups, trade union federations, social organisations and general public (Working Women Organisation)

NOV. 26 - 30

- Ghana, Accra--four day workshop/conference on "Gender, Peace and Security" in West Africa (CUSO)

NOV. 27

- Germany, Berlin--discussion on "The Globalization of Traffic in Women" (Ban Ying e.V. Koordinationsstelle, Berlin and Migrants Europa, Netherlands)
- India, Tamil Nadu-- discussion on eradication of the prostitute community (AISSNMM)
- Mexico, Yucatan--conference on sexuality and religion (UNASSE)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--telephone counselling those with violence related problems (Rural Women Development Centre)
- Russia, Moscow--meeting to discuss follow-up to Beijing Forum '95: "Russia and Rest of World in Struggle Against Domestic Violence" (Moscow Sexual Assault Recovery Centre and the Centre for Women, Family and Gender Studies)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--meeting in which women will be sensitized about their attitude of seeing domestic violence as a private matter and will be informed on how to go about reporting violence to the police (AFRA)
- United States, New York--annual meeting (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)

NOV. 27 - DEC. 1

- Ghana, Accra--African Women's Platform for Peace, a product of the conference on Nov. 26-30, will be presented to the African Human Rights Commission in March 1996 (Gender Studies and Human Rights Documentation Centre)
- United States, Baltimore--dissemination of information on violence against women and appeal campaign in support of the Violence Against Women Act (Goucher College)

NOV. 28

- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on treatment of women and their health in sexual relationships (AISSNMM)

- Mexico, Yucatan--conference and book presentation: "Conservatism & Sexuality" by Edgar Gonzalez Ruiz (UNASSE)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--group discussion of problems (Rural Women Development Centre)
- United States, Baltimore--talk by Liz Randall "Connections Between Racism and Sexism" (Goucher College)
- United States, New York--talk by Angela Davis; talk by Dr. Deborah Prothrow-Stith "Violence Prevention"; and workshop on racism, sexism and homophobia (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)

NOV. 28 - 29

- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--two days when the task of cooking the family meals will fall to someone other than the woman (AFRA)

NOV. 29

- Bangladesh, Rajshahi--rally and seminar for activists to mobilize Uniform Family Code, Implementation of CEDAW and ratification of the UN Convention on the Protection of Rights of Migrant Workers and Their Families (Association for Community Development)
- India, Tamil Nadu--action against refusal of liberty and freedom to both literate and illiterate women in society (AISSNMM)
- Mexico, Yucatan--workshop for young women on sexuality and reproductive rights (UNASSE)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--media consultations on violence against women (Rural Women Development Centre)
- United Kingdom, Bristol--conference to launch local "Zero Tolerance of Male Violence" campaign (National Women's Network)
- United States, Baltimore--forum on campus violence against women (Goucher College)
- United States, New York--distribution of "World Peace Begins at Home" buttons (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)

NOV. 29 - DEC. 2

- Pakistan, Lahore--signature campaign to end violence against women (Working Women Organisation)

NOV. 30

- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on preventing use of girl-child labour for illegitimate sexual relations and illegal activities by white collar criminals (AISSNMM)
- Mexico, Yucatan--artistic performance dealing with rape (UNASSE)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--distribution of articles related to women (Rural Women Development Centre)
- Norway, Storgata--announcement at opening of SOLIDAR secretariat in Brussels (Norwegian People's Aid)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--popularization of the Women's Charter for Effective Equality meeting (AFRA)
- United States, New York--fundraiser for SUNY Violence Against Women Task Force (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)

DEC. 1

- Bangladesh, Rajshahi--launching campaign of public education during the observance of World Aids Day (Association for Community Development)
- Bolivia, Tarija--program about Sida will be transmitted by several local radio stations (Centro Integral de la Mujer)
- Cameroon, Limbe--seminar on women's human rights and violence against women (FIDA)
- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion of refusal to educate girls because of hereditary customs and norms (AISSNMM)
- Mali, Bamako--information through radio programs and education of children on AIDS and how to protect oneself (APDF)
- Mexico, Yucatan--workshop for youth on AIDS, with presentations by Gloria Caraga and Alicia Menanteau (UNASSE)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--meeting of delegation from different local offices (Rural Women Development Centre)

- Serbia, Belgrade--new pressure group against violence against women formed (Direct Women's Action Belgrade)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--commemoration of World Aids Day (AFRA)
- United States, New York--Day without art at Bardavon Theater and performance at Community Playback Theater (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)

DEC. 2

- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on proper health care for mothers and girl children (AISSNMM)
- Mali, Bamako--lecture and debate in Lycee Notre Dame du Niger girl's secondary school on how to fight violence against women/girls (APDF)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--demonstration (Rural Women Development Centre)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--radio discussion on violence; symbolic planting of a tree accompanied by singing (AFRA)
- United States, New York--write and call legislators in Washington to oppose welfare cuts (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)

DEC. 2 - 3

- Mexico, Yucatan--workshop on health in the workplace (UNASSE)
- Norway, Storgata--announcement and information dissemination at national follow-up to Beijing (Norwegian People's Aid)

DEC. 2 - 3, & 9

- United States, New York--4th Annual Film Festival of Women Directors from South Asia to support work on rights of battered immigrant women and domestic workers (SAKHI for South Asian Women)

DEC. 3

- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion about working women and expectations (AISSNMM)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--silent march for the victims of violence (Rural Women Development Centre)

- Russia, Moscow--ceremony to mark the anniversary of the Montreal Massacre (Moscow Centre for Women Family and Gender Studies and Women's Crisis Centre)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--prayer meeting with a focus on violence against women (AFRA)
- Ukraine, Kiyev--national public radio channel program on women's human rights: "Thinking About Our Lives" (Women's Information Consultative Center)
- United States, New York--candlelight ceremony to honor Marion "Chad" Patterson (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY–New Paltz Women's Studies)

DEC. 3 - 4

- Pakistan, Lahore--letter writing campaign to government officials urging implementation of all human rights instruments and the eradication of the law of evidence, hudood ordinance, Qisas, Diyat and other black laws (Working Women Organisation)

DEC. 4

- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on the suppression of women and their views (AISSNMM)
- Mexico, Yucatan--workshop on AIDS and the rights of HIV+ people (UNASSE)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--Consultation with human rights organizations (Rural Women Development Centre)
- Peru, Arequipa--television special on sexual abuse of girls and boys in Arequipa in coordination with channel 8 (ILDER)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--prayer meeting for those denominations which do not pray on Sundays and a lecture on maintenance (AFRA)
- United States, New York--discussion on "Maternal Mortality & Human Rights" (Working Group on Women's Health & Human Rights)
- United States, New York--workshop on racism, sexism, homophobia and classism (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY–New Paltz Women's Studies)

DEC. 5

- Bolivia, Tarija--"New Law on Domestic Violence" panel on Television (Centro Integral de la Mujer)
- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on unequal wages (AISSNMM)
- Mexico, Yucatan --artistic performance-monologue, "Una Mujer Sola" for women training in non-traditional jobs (UNASSE)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--discussions with local organizations (Rural Women Development Centre)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--lecture on Prevention of Family Violence Act (AFRA)
- Ukraine, Kiyev--meeting in the Parliament Commission of Human Rights and Minorities about implementation of the Beijing Platform and future hearings in UN concerning implementation of CEDAW in the Ukraine (Women's Information Consultative Center)
- United States, New York--showing of the "Vienna Tribunal: Women's Rights are Human Rights" (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)

DEC. 5 - 10

- Poland, Opole--action against nuclear testing focused on ecology and health (Club of Ecoengineers)

DEC. 6

- Canada, Ontario--4th Annual Vigil to remember, honour and grieve all women abused and murdered by men (Community Resource Centre of Kanata)
- Brazil, São Paulo, Santos City--seminar of capacitation for police to improve their methods of addressing domestic, sexual and racial violence (Casa de Cultura da Mulher Negra)
- Ghana, Accra--memorial and discussion of gender violence in Ghana in addition to candle lighting by representatives from diplomatic missions in commemoration of victims of gender violence in their countries (CUSO)
- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on creating women's leadership in the society (AISSNMM)
- Ireland, Dublin--video showing of the "Vienna Tribunal" and overview of violence against women as a human rights issue at University College of Dublin (Women's Education Resource and Research Centre)

- Nepal, Kathmandu--picture and poster exhibition (Rural Women Development Centre)
- Pakistan, Lahore--press conference focusing on the situation of women in the country, government agreements made in Beijing and other forums to eradicate violence against women (Working Women Organisation)
- Suriname, Paramaribo--public hearings on sexual harassment in the work place (Foundation Stop Violence Against Women)
- United States, New York--observance of the 1989 Montreal Massacre (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY–New Paltz Women's Studies)
- United States, Vermont--annual vigil commemorating the Montreal Massacre (Burlington Women's Council)

DEC. 6 - 7

- Mexico, Yucatan -- workshop on affirmative action in syndicates/unions (UNASSE)

DEC. 6 - 8

- United States, Vermont--radio show focusing on sexual assault and harassment; clothesline project; project examining the presence and effect of violence in film; and, project examining violence in lesbian relationships (Women, Violence and Human Rights Group, Goddard College)

DEC. 6 - 10

- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--Rural Women's Workshop including speak-outs, testimonies, drawing and painting (AFRA)

DEC. 7

- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on equal rights of women to property, workload and legal assistance and information (AISSNMM)
- Mali, Bamako--lecture and debate in Lycee Askia Mohamed boy's secondary school on young people and AIDS (APDF)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--discussion addressing discrimination of women (Rural Women Development Centre)
- Peru, Arequipa--workshop on AIDS and it's prevention (ILDER)

- Serbia, Belgrade--promotion of book "Women's Human Rights in Practice" (Women's Publishing House '94)
- United States, New York--wearing of buttons against violence against women (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)

DEC. 8

- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on women and equal rights in relation to population (AISSNMM)
- Mexico, Yucatan--monologue, "Una Mujer Sola" at Confederation of Mexican Workers (UNASSE)
- Nepal, Kathmandu--delegation at related ministry (Rural Women Development Centre)
- Philippines, Western Mindanao--Immaculate Conception Fiesta celebration (Upper Patawag Young Farmers Club)
- United States, New York--"Working with Victims of Domestic Violence who have problems with Mental Illness" workshop and performance at theater (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)
- Zimbabwe, Harare--presentation of petitions that call upon the government to reform laws on violence in the family, to the Minister of Justice and Parliamentary Affairs (WiLDAF)

DEC. 8 - 9

- Pakistan, Lahore--meetings with industrial workers, especially rural and brick kiln women workers, to create awareness of their rights and privileges and motivate organizations to eliminate all kinds of discrimination against women (Working Women Organisation)

DEC. 9

- Cameroon, Limbe--radio talk on violence against women (FIDA)
- India, Tamil Nadu--discussion on legal punishment of violence against women (AISSNMM)
- Mali, Bamako--lecture and debate in Ecole Fondamentale Aminata DIOP elementary school on young people and AIDS (APDF)
- Mexico, Yucatan--Youth Forum on work and social development (UNASSE)

- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--radio discussion on violence against women (AFRA)
- Tunis, El Mahragene--open forum on violence against women as a human rights violation; and post-Beijing discussion on Platform implementation (Association Tunisienne des Femmes Democrates)
- Ukraine, Kiyev--training on women's human rights (Women's Information Consultative Center)
- United States, New York--groups challenge sex discrimination (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY-New Paltz Women's Studies)
- United States, Vermont-- conference "Women's Rights Are Human Rights: Beijing and Beyond" which includes plenaries, workshops, video presentations, and discussions focusing on local applications of the human right's framework (University of Vermont)

DEC. 9 - 10

- Nepal, Kathmandu--workshops on Women's Human Rights (Rural Women Development Centre)

DEC. 10

- Austria, Vienna--artists and women's human rights activists organize political/cultural event in the Volkstheater (Austrian Women's Shelter Network)
- Brazil, São Paulo, Santos City--press conference to divulgate the Interamerican Convention on the Elimination, Punishment and Eradication of Violence Against Women, signed in Belém do Pará/Brazil in June 1994, by member-states of OAS (Casa de Cultura da Mulher Negra)
- Mali, Bamako--printing of t-shirts, banners and posters on gender violence and AIDS (APDF)
- Mexico, Yucatan--closing of campaign; forum on Women's Political Participation, Citizenship and Human Rights (UNASSE)
- Pakistan, Lahore--one-day seminar on violence against women as a violation of women's human rights (Working Women Organisation)
- Philippines, Western Mindanao--stage presentation (Upper Patwag Young Farmers Club)

- Poland, Opole--newspaper article on "Women's Rights as Human Rights" (Club of Ecoengineers)
- Serbia, Belgrade--workshop on law and human rights (SOS Hotline and Center for Girls)
- South Africa, Pietermaritzburg--prayer, Imbali play, free stage and exhibition of products of workshop on Dec. 6 - 10 (AFRA)
- Suriname, Paramaribo--national church service remembering all the women who died or committed suicide due to violence (Foundation Stop Violence Against Women)
- United States, New York--observance of the anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and showing of "The Vienna Tribunal: Women's Rights are Human Rights" (Dutchess County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SUNY- New Paltz Women's Studies)

GENERAL ACTIVITIES:

- Costa Rica, San Jose--development and implementation of National Plan For Family Violence, Care and Prevention (Centro Nacional para el Desarrollo de la Mujer y la Familia)
- Ecuador, Quito--local campaign with various NGOs to lobby Ecuadorian Congress to approve law addressing violence against women in the family (Instituto Ecuatoriano de Investigaciones Y Capacitacion de la Mujer)
- India, Cochin--launch of awareness and orientation programme for elected lady councilors on "women's human rights and the role of women as peace makers" (Cultural Academy for Peace)
- Ireland, Dublin--workshops, 5 within Dublin and 5 around the country, looking at the issue of violence against women as a violation of human rights and the global perspective of gender violence; Street Action and theatre; drama and poetry night on the theme Women's Rights as Human Rights; Forum Theatre, at 4 venues around country, exploring issues that surround violence against women; exhibition of poetry and short stories; exhibition of students' creative response to workshops run by Women's Aid (Women's Aid)
- Latvia, Kuldiga--exhibition entitled "What are your Values, Women?" (Women's Organization of Kuldiga Environmental Education School)
- Macedonia, Skopje--open discussion on women's rights (Organization of Macedonian Women)

- Norway, Storgata--support of the Norwegian "White Ribbon Campaign" which is men against violence against women; SOLIDAR's Madrid-Declaration "Say No to Violence Against Women"; press release on men's responsibility to act against violence against women; press release on the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence 1995; information distribution to selected places of work to raise awareness; activities on violence against women through 10 of NPA's local groups in Norway (Norwegian People's Aid)
- Poland, Opole--distribution of posters; seminar on "Women, Health and Environment" and special issue of 'Ecoradek' newspaper focused on gender problems (Club of Ecoengineers)
- Poland, Warsaw--4-page supplement to "Ecology and Health" magazine on young women; and environmental threats to their health (Ecology and Health Foundation)
- Russia, Murmansk--opening of hotline for young women; seminar on the human rights of young women and distribution of information through the media (Women's Congress)
- Serbia, Belgrade--media events and roundtable on "Women and War" (Group for Women's Rights)
- Ukraine, Rovno--articles in local newspaper on women's issues under the general name "Women and the Environment" (Ecoclub)
- United Kingdom, London--distribution of leaflets for the International Day of Violence Against Women explaining: origin of day, how it was celebrated in the past, which are the UN Treaties dealing with violence against women and how women's groups can organise to fight against violence (WOMANKIND Worldwide)
- United States, Seattle--newsletter piece about 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence (Office for Women's Rights)
- Venezuela, Caracas--distribution of material (posters/flyers) addressing violence against women to medical centers, police commissaries, universities and public schools as part of education campaign (AVESA)
- Yugoslavia, Kosovo--roundtable on women's human rights (MEDIAPROJECT)
- International--a campaign, Women's Mission for Sarah, to free domestic worker Sarah Balabagan, a Filipina who was raped in UAE, killed her rapist and has been convicted for

the premeditated murder of her rapist-employer (Asian Women's Human Rights Council and Women Living Under Muslim Laws)

The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence is part of the Global Campaign for Women's Human Rights. The initial 16 Days Campaign in 1991 was coordinated by the Center for Women's Global Leadership with participants of the First Women's Global Leadership Institute on Women, Violence, and Human Rights (June 1991). Nov. 25 is International Day Against Violence Against Women, declared by the First Feminist Encuentro for Latin America and the Caribbean in 1981 (Bogota, Colombia). The day commemorates the Mirabel Sisters who were brutally murdered by the Trujillo dictatorship in the Dominican Republic in 1960. December 10 celebrates the anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, proclaimed in 1948. The period also includes World AIDS Day (Dec. 1) and the anniversary of the Montreal Massacre when a man gunned down 14 women engineering students for being "feminists" (Dec. 6).

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