ANNUAL REPORT FOR WDI INTERNATIONAL UN WORKING GROUP

July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

The following is the annual report of the WDI UN International Working Group on their activities for the year. Earlier submissions can be found on the website by year. Individual chapters e.g. in New Zealand, Australia, Spain, and Argentina have made country submissions as well. If we exceeded the page limit, we broke the submissions down and had another group or person submit it.

September 2024: Solicited Report for SR VAWG about violence against women and girls. Additional report was submitted by the US representative.

November 2024: Submission to Principles of Gender Persecution of the ICC Office of the Prosecutor who is developing a new set of Principles on Gender Persecution.

December 2024: The BBC's Editorial Guidelines: We called on the BBC to use 'sex' as preferable to 'gender'

January 2025: Committee on the Status of Women review of and challenges to implementation: We discussed accurate data, naming women and girls specifically, not referring to women and girls as body parts and processes, and not to conflate sex and gender.

January 2025: Input for SR VAWG on new frontiers and emerging issues in sex-based violence against women and girl. Discussed such issues as medical interventions on lesbians, men in women's prisons, normalization of violence in relationships by porn, erasure of biological sex, and data corruption.

January 2025: Input for SR VAWG on the concept of consent in relation to violence against women and girls. Discussed that the currently dominant 'contractual' model of consent should be replaced with a 'totality of circumstances' model that considers the individual and social harm of the act; and that situations in which consent is irrelevant include those in which a woman or girl is under coercion from an authority figure to participate in the claimed 'female gender identity' of a man in that environment.

February 2025: Submission on CEDAW General Recommendation 41 discussing that has long been understood that the stereotyped sex roles of

men and women are a fundamental aspect of women's inequality and must be eliminated and that "gender" perpetuates those roles.

March 2025: Dianne Post (US) participated March 19 in a consultation with the Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women and Girls regarding the presentations above and Dr. Megan Blake (Australia) and Sally Wainright (Scotland) participated in the same consultation the following day on March 20.

April 2025: To Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls OHCHR regarding surrogacy and the fact that is violence against women and girls.

June 2025: To CEDAW regarding that they cannot change the focus of CEDAW from women and girls to "gender."

June 13: Jo Brew (England) is speaking to the European Commission about infiltration resulting in lack of critical perspective.

June 16: Maria Binetti (Argentina) is attending the consultation by the Special Rapporteur on surrogacy.

With a small number of us, we have achieved mighty things.

Total submitted: 10

Special Rapporteur on Violence Against Women = 5

CEDAW = 3

ICC = 1

BBC = 1

Consultations attended: 3

Presentations given: 1