

WDI Statement on Wars

The twin purposes of Women's Declaration International are to promote the Declaration on Women's Sex-Based Rights and to promote the global movement to liberate all women everywhere from patriarchy.

We acknowledge that wars everywhere subject women to male violence that includes acts of rape, torture, and murder. During wartime especially, male armies tend to target women not only as residents of the enemy nation, but also specifically as women.

We also acknowledge that feminists feel strongly about such violence, but may be deeply divided as to which side is more responsible. Discussions quickly become heated and personal, and carry the imminent potential to be divisive of our organization.

WDI aims to bring all women together in forums where we can speak and act as feminists to promote the Declaration and build a Women's Liberation Movement. In the interests of unity on our narrow aims, we have decided to limit conversations on our

platforms, including our webinar chats and breakout rooms, to these two core topics. There are many forums available to debate who is at fault in any given armed conflict; but WDI provides a unique and valuable space for all women, regardless of nationality, ethnicity, or other politics, to work together to advance our singular mission. We will not let our organization be divided, diverted, hijacked, or torn apart by conflicts ultimately created by men; and we ask for the cooperation of all signatories in this endeavor.