

2023: Our Feminism is Indivisible, Human Rights are Indivisible

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Six Arab women's organizations, including Na'am Arab Women in the Center, published a position paper against violence against all women during this war:

Feminists worldwide have made remarkable efforts to stand against silencing women and questioning their voices, especially during times of conflict and war when women often bear the worst consequences.

Their significant strides in addressing sexual assaults during wartime led to advocating for the adoption of UN Resolution 1325, focusing on women's involvement, protection, and representation during armed conflicts. Additionally, Resolution 1820 played a crucial role in safeguarding women from rape and sexual violence during war and conflicts.

It's crucial not to doubt the credibility of claims or directions taken by women or their relatives when brought to organizations dedicated to these issues. Women's bodies should never be exploited for political gains or leverage.

Women who've experienced assault have the right to receive necessary medical, psychological, and emotional support. They should have the freedom to choose whom to share their experiences with and what information to disclose. As feminist Palestinian organizations, our stand opposes all forms of violence, not just during wars or within families but in every context.

We vehemently oppose occupation, racism, discrimination, male dominance, and extremism, irrespective of time or place. Our firm stance against sexual assaults, harassment, and rape remains unwavering, supporting every woman who speaks out, regardless of nationality, religion, or ethnicity.

We don't question reports from Israeli organizations combating sexual assaults against Israeli women regarding the events of October 7 and the sexual violence they experienced. In light of this, we call upon the women, feminist activists, and those active in women's organizations

in Israel who raised their voices against the endured sexual assault on October 7, 2023, to boldly condemn all violations, including killings, demolitions, and displacements occurring in the relentless war against the Palestinian people, particularly affecting women and children in Gaza. The intimidation, threats, and hardships faced by women during detentions should not be overlooked.

Lastly, it's crucial to remember that any violation, under any guise, is an oppressive act that cannot be justified. Our feminist values dictate that we cannot accept any excuses for violating human rights.

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P.S.

- Na'am Arab Women in the Center. Dec 3 2023:
<https://www.awc-naam.com/post/arab-women-s-organizations-against-rape>