

UN Security Council Adopts Resolution on Women and Peace



United Nations, October 13 (RHC)-- The United Nations Security Council has unanimously adopted Resolution 2242, which calls for the active participation of women in the process and consolidation of peace.

In addition, a new report on women, peace and security, launched today to coincide with the 15th anniversary of the landmark United Nations Security Council resolution on the issue, highlights the important gains to be made by the greater empowerment of women in peace-building efforts.

UN Women Executive Director Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka and Ms. Radhika Coomaraswamy, the lead author of the global study, introduced it at a press conference at UN Headquarters. "Since 2000, when Resolution 1325 was adopted, the UN has recognized that women's leadership and equality are key to international peace and security," said Ms. Mlambo-Ngcuka.

Introducing the new study, Ms. Mlambo-Ngcuka said that it represented the most up-to-date and comprehensive compilation of all the evidence that "women's empowerment contributes to the success of peace talks," as well accelerates economic recovery after conflict and counters violent extremism.



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