

IWA Calls for International Day of Action on March 8th International Women's Day

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Women Rise Up Against Capitalist Crisis, Militarisation and War

The International Women's Alliance (IWA) calls on women all over the globe to advance their ongoing struggles against imperialist globalization and the crisis of capitalism by mobilizing with militant actions on March 8th, 2013 to commemorate International Working Women's Day.

The International Conference of Working Women over 100 years ago gave birth to what is now popularly known as International Women's Day. The origin of this day was to highlight the resistance and organizing power of working women to gain the right to fair wages and working hours, the right to vote and an end to discrimination. Today, we must remember to hold true

to the origins of March 8th and return to the important issues that weigh heavily on women all over the world, the crises of capitalism and imperialism.

Since the economic collapse in 2008, the impact of the crisis on women all over the world has intensified. The capitalist system continues to unfold crisis measures to shore up the profits of the ruling classes, banks and corporations and maintain their global domination. These measures rely on the increased super-exploitation of women in low-wage and precarious industries, devaluation of women's labor, the robbing of the land and livelihood of peasant and indigenous women and escalating military intervention, repression and aggression.

As the profits of the 1% are increased and bonus checks are doubled in years of glaring crisis, women of the 99% are reeling under the weight of the crisis and saying ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!

Imperialist war and plunder have weighed heavily on women in the Middle East, Africa, Latin America and Asia Pacific regions and are increasing inside the imperialist centers of Europe and North America.

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