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Declaration of Protest

We, the 216 women at the National Women's Assembly in the preparation of the 2nd World Women's Conference of grassroots women, which will take place from March 13 to 18, 2016, declare our vigorous protest against the Indian government's factual economic boycott against Nepal.

From our friends of the United Women's Alliance we learned, how this boycott massively impairs the life of women and families. For now eight weeks there is a factual boycott of the deliveries of fuel, gas, medicines and other goods and the frontier between Nepal and India is blocked. Children cannot attend school any more because buses cannot run any more, women cannot do the cooking any more because they do not have any gas.

The Indian government has begun this blockade exactly on the day when Nepal proclaimed its new democratic and secular constitution. Nepal's sovereignty is trod upon.

We women demand:

Open the frontiers immediately and end the economic boycott against Nepal!