

NOW RESOLUTION FOR A U.S. FEMINIST FOREIGN POLICY CAMPAIGN

WHEREAS, the NOW Board of Directors endorsed the U.S. Feminist Foreign Policy Campaign (FFP) in conjunction with 150+ sister organizations and ICRW [FFP-PolicyTrnstn-Dec2020-ICRW.pdf](#) on January 24, 2021, which would ensure the United States' interactions with other Nations as well as social movements prioritize peace, gender equality and environmental integrity, promote the human rights of all, and seek to disrupt colonial, racist, violent patriarchal power; and

WHEREAS, the rationale for passage of a U.S. Feminist Foreign Policy (FFP) and its implementation are immediate and timely. Given the many harmful and cruel aspects of former and some current U.S. foreign policies and their violations of women's human rights - especially impacting BIWOC of the Global South and in our own country - women can't wait for feminist policies focused on peace, bodily autonomy, equity, human and sustainable development; and

WHEREAS, NOW recognizes we have much to learn from and exchange with Feminists and movement-building from around the World about strategies to eliminate critical violations of our women's human rights including gender-based violence and all forms of oppression, poverty, discrimination and femicide; and

WHEREAS, the new U.S. Administration, along with an emerging 2/3 majority of the U.S. Senate, will be able to adopt Treaties to advance women's human rights including ratification of CEDAW, [The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women](#); and

WHEREAS, adopting a U.S. Feminist Foreign Policy is in direct alignment and can strengthen all of NOW's six core priority issues with both an intersectional and global feminist analysis; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Feminist Foreign Policy Campaign values and philosophy are centered on dismantling racism, discrimination and white supremacy and is a powerful tool to help end racism as NOW seeks to address internally our racism, homophobia, and transphobia;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that it is imperative that NOW adopt a U.S. Feminist Foreign Policy Campaign immediately in order to impact: President Biden's first 100 Days to develop his U.S. Foreign Policy; forthcoming legislation in the U.S. Senate for Treaties including prioritizing CEDAW; NOW's leadership role to be at the forefront in creation of a FFP at the UN CSW meetings March 15-26, 2021, to bring understanding of our 6 Priority Issues and intersectional analysis; recognition on how all of NOW's strategic planning with resulting Campaigns and Actions can positively incorporate this intersectional global feminist direction; and lastly, this FFP Resolution Campaign development cannot wait until July or August, 2021 to have a process - yet undetermined - to accept and consider Resolutions at the NOW National Conference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that NOW endorses and encourages participation in our development of a multi-level, intersectional U.S. Feminist Foreign Policy NOW Campaign to educate, engage and organize our interested NOW members in consultation with other National Committees, Caucuses, State Presidents, local Chapters, the NOW PAC Boards;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this NOW for a U.S. Feminist Foreign Policy Campaign led by the NOW Global Feminist National Committee will enhance and expand intersectional understanding for strategic organizing on NOW's 6 Priority Issues using monthly webinars, workshops at NOW State and National Conferences, identification of

Plenary Speakers and panel topics, and participation at the UN CSW meetings and Global Feminist Conferences.

Opportunities for NOW members to Participate in the March 15-26, 2021 UN CSW FORUM

Starting March 16th here:

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NGO CSW FORUM Registration and sign-up for workshops HERE:

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