

Women Leaders: Power, Together DECLARATION 2019

The Höfði House symbolises change, transformation and most importantly peace. The building is the site of the historic summit between American President Ronald Reagan and Soviet Premier Mikhail Gorbachev in 1986 which eventually led to the end of the Cold War.

Building on the Women Leaders: Power Together Declaration 2018, and with the imminent 20th anniversary of UNSCR 1325 in 2020, women leaders at the Reykjavík Summit 2019 call on all leaders to ensure peace and security, and to include the following measures:

- We call on all national leaders of countries (at risk of conflict, in an ongoing conflict situation or post- conflict setting) to ensure women's participation in negotiation and implementation of peace agreements and peace processes in order to contribute to their sustainability, durability, and success.
- We call on donor nations to leverage aid to readdress the exclusion of women from peace processes.
- We call on all stakeholders involved in a peace agreement and peace processes to address conflict-related gender- based violence.
- We call on national governments, international organisations, NGOs and donors, to support collection of evidence on the impact of the more informal roles of women in peacebuilding, e.g. women as leaders of peacebuilding movements, women's role as mediators, women's role within religion, women as community advocates of peace, and even women as perpetrators of violence.
- We call on global and national leaders and donor nations to prioritize and allocate budget to the implementation of UNSCR 1325 National Action Plans (NAPs), and for all UN member states to commit to NAPs, in anticipation of the 20th anniversary of UNSCR 1325 in 2020.

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Participants to the
**Women Leaders: Power, Together Reykjavik
Summit 2019***

Ameenah Gurib-Fakim, President of Mauritius (2015-2018)

Atifete Jahjaga, President of the Republic of Kosovo (2011-2016)

Beatriz Merino, Executive President of the Cesar Vallejo University of Peru, Prime Minister of Peru (2003)

Clare Hutchinson, Special Representative for Women Peace and Security at NATO

Catherine Gotani Hara, President of Parliament of Malawi

Jody Williams, Chair Nobel Women's Initiative, 1997 Nobel Peace Prize Co-Laureate

Julia Gillard, Inaugural Chair of the Global Institute for Women's Leadership, Prime Minister of Australia (2010-2013), Kings College

Laura Liswood, Secretary-General of the Council of Women World Leaders

Paula Cox, Premier of Bermuda (2010-2012)

Shireen Mehrunnisa Mazari, Minister of Human Rights of Pakistan

Shandana Gulzar Khan, Chairperson Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians, Deputy Minister and Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Commerce of Pakistan

Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President and Founder WPL

Uzra Zeya, President and CEO of The Alliance for Peacebuilding (AfP)

**Participants attended in their personal capacity and did not subscribe to the declaration on behalf of their organisations.*

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