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<div>Greetings</div>	
<div> <p>We are pleased to share with you our sixth issue of the Center for Women's Global Leadership's (CWGL) quarterly online newsletter. As in previous months, CWGL focuses on a number of important issues concerning women's human rights. CWGL and partner organizations have been working together on the restructuring of the UN <a href="#">Gender Equality Architecture</a> (GEA) and we are excited to help launch the Gender Equality Architecture in UN Reform (GEAR) campaign. In addition, CWGL continues its work to integrate gender and the human rights of women into the agendas of the UN Human Rights Council. In May, Charlotte Bunch, Executive Director of CWGL, spoke on a panel entitled <a href="#">Women and Human Rights in the Middle East</a> honoring Dr. Shirin Ebadi, Iranian human rights lawyer and 2003 Nobel Peace Laureate, and Her Excellency Sheika Haya Rashed Al Khalifa, current President of the UN General Assembly. Charlotte Bunch was also present at the <a href="#">Nobel Women's Initiative's First International Conference: Women Redefining Peace in the Middle East &amp; Beyond</a>, which took place in Ireland in late May. In early July, Cynthia Rothschild, Senior Policy Advisor, organized and participated in two events at the YWCA's <a href="#">International Women's Summit: Women's Leadership Making a Difference on HIV and AIDS conference</a> in Kenya. Please continue to visit our website for updates on new and exciting initiatives.</p> <p>Best Wishes, Center for Women's Global Leadership</p> </div>	
<div> <div>Program Highlights</div> <div> <p><b>LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT</b> CWGL, <a href="#">Creating Resources for Empowerment in Action</a> (CREA), and the <a href="#">Youth Coalition</a> will host a strategic conversation from September 30-October 3, 2007 to discuss multi-generational leadership. The meeting seeks to explore issues facing diverse generations in the women's rights movement and will recommend strategies toward building stronger leadership in our movements, networks and organizations.</p> <p><b>UNITED NATIONS ADVOCACY UPDATES</b> <a href="#">Gender Equality Architecture Reform</a> Governments and NGOs continue to discuss the future of the UN gender equality architecture. Informal consultations were held at the UN in New York (<a href="#">click here</a> for country statements) and the President of the General Assembly recently appointed facilitators to guide ongoing discussions. CWGL, WEDO, AWID, IPPF-WH, WILPF, DAWN and many other groups will monitor developments closely as we head toward the General Assembly in September, where it is likely that next steps on GEA will be taken. CWGL is proud to help launch the GEAR (Gender Equality Architecture in UN Reform) campaign in support of a strengthened and better-resourced gender architecture in the UN system. For more information, <a href="#">click here</a>.</p> <p><a href="#">Human Rights Council</a> CWGL continues to work with ARC-International, HRW, ACPD, the Sexual Rights Initiative, IRAW-AP, APWLD and other groups to press the Human Rights Council to integrate a gender perspective throughout its work, including in the universal periodic review (UPR) of member states' human rights records and in the work of the special rapporteurs and working groups.</p> <p><b>OTHER EVENTS</b> <b>YWCA Women's Summit, Nairobi, Kenya: July 4-7, 2007</b> In Nairobi, Cynthia Rothschild took part in the World YWCA's <i>International Women's Summit: Women's Leadership: Making a Difference on HIV and AIDS</i>. CWGL organized two discussions: "Defending Women - Defending HIV-Related Rights: Exploring Experiences of Activists" and "Strengthening Resistance: Critical Issues and Innovative Advocacy in HIV and Violence against Women." Both focused on challenges activists face because of their HIV advocacy and were co-sponsored by the Women Won't Wait campaign (the violence workshop was also sponsored by the Foundation for Study and Investigation on Women [FEIM] in Argentina).</p> <p><b>Desiring Bodies: A Basic Introduction to Sexuality, Gender and Rights, New York, USA: July 26-27, 2007</b> Margot Baruch, CWGL's Program Assistant, attended a two day workshop sponsored by <a href="#">CREA</a> that explored basic principles of sexual rights, including LGBTI concerns, and intersectionalities of identity politics. Pramada Menon, CREA's Director of Programs and 2001 WGLI graduate, facilitated and guided the group of 25 participants through challenging activities and meaningful discussion.</p> </div> </div>	<div> <div>News</div> <div> <p><b>Welcome New Visiting Global Associate</b> In September, Wanda Nowicka, cofounder of the <a href="#">Federation for Women and Family Planning</a> and founder of <a href="#">ASTRA</a>, the Central and Eastern European Women's Network for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights, will join CWGL as a Visiting Global Associate (VGA) for the fall semester. Please continue to check our <a href="#">website</a> for information on VGA activities, particularly her public lecture to be held on November 1, 2007.</p> <p><b>16 Days Campaign</b> <b>2007 Campaign Theme: <a href="#">Demanding Implementation, Challenging Obstacles: End Violence Against Women 16 Days</a></b> is a global campaign that highlights the links between violence against women and human rights. Since 1991, the 16 Days Campaign has helped to raise awareness about gender-based violence and has highlighted women's activism to end the global VAW crisis.</p> <p><b>Resources</b> In May, CWGL signed on to the <a href="#">Nairobi Declaration on Women's and Girls' Rights to Remedy and Reparation</a> launched by the Coalition for Women's Human Rights in Conflict Situations.</p> <p>Charlotte Bunch recently wrote <a href="#">Women and Gender: The Evolution of Women Specific Institutions and Gender Integration at the United Nations</a>, featured in the <i>Oxford Handbook on the United Nations</i>, edited by Thomas G. Weiss &amp; Sam Daws, London: 2007. The article identifies important factors in understanding the history of gender and the UN system.</p> </div> </div>
<div>Staff Updates</div>	
<div> <p><b>Anahi Russo</b>, Graduate Assistant and Women's &amp; Gender Studies PhD Candidate, joined CWGL last fall. Currently, she is planning for CWGL's next leadership conversation, to be held from September 30-October 3, 2007. She has worked as a research assistant on feminist organizational strengthening and movement building with the Association for Women's Rights and Development (AWID).</p> <p><b>Margot Baruch</b> recently joined CWGL full-time as a Program Assistant. She began her affiliation with CWGL as an intern for the Beijing and Beyond campaign in January 2005. Currently, she supports and maintains CWGL's work around UN reform and sexual rights issues, attends and documents UN special sessions and meetings, composes the quarterly e-newsletter and provides outreach, networking and design support for major events and ongoing projects.</p> <p><b>Sadia Hameed</b>, the new 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence Coordinator, brings a wealth of experience within the realm of violence against women. Prior to joining CWGL, she was a Campaign Coordinator for the Global Campaign to Stop Violence Against Women at Amnesty International. We are pleased to add her to our staff, as she has strong campaigning experience and considerable knowledge about violence against women.</p> <p>Special thanks to CWGL interns <b>Marina Yalon</b> and <b>Ria Dasgupta</b> for their assistance over the last few months on a variety of projects.</p> </div>	
<div> <div>Upcoming Events</div> <div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>September 10, 2007 (4:30-6:30pm):</b> <a href="#">Opening Event for the Institute for Women's Leadership, Rutgers University</a></li> <li>• <b>October 2, 2007 (TBA):</b> Multigenerational Feminist Movements Dialogue public reception, Rutgers University</li> <li>• <b>October 25-26, 2007:</b> <a href="#">Gender, War, and Militarism</a>, University of Pennsylvania</li> <li>• <b>November 1, 2007 (TBA):</b> Visiting Global Associate lecture, Rutgers University</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Click here for a complete list of upcoming events.</a></p> </div> </div>	<div> <div>Contribute!</div> <div> <p>CWGL needs your support to continue our work for women's human rights. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to fund our efforts.</p> <p>To support CWGL, please <a href="#">click here</a>.</p> </div> </div>
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