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**UN Security Council Resolution 1325 was not intended as a
military tool.**

Women around the world have celebrated UN Security Council Resolution 1325 of 2000 on *Women, Peace and Security*, welcoming it as a tool for peace, democracy and the prevention of war.

In the years since its adoption the world has witnessed a massive increase in military spending, and more illegal and disastrous wars, with the 'protection' of women sometimes used as a pretext.

We see NATO citing Resolution 1325 while, instead of peace-keeping, it fosters militarization, expands its machinery worldwide, and fights aggressive wars.

We reject NATO's exploitation of Resolution 1325 to manipulate women, utilize their efforts for military purposes, and enrol more women into armed forces.

We reassert that the militarist and masculinist meaning ascribed to 'security' by NATO is not the human safety and well-being envisioned by women in Resolution 1325.