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CWGL Announces New Program Coordinator

New Brunswick, NJ, July 8, 2013—The Center for Women's Global Leadership (CWGL) is pleased to announce the hiring of Zarin Hamid as Program Coordinator, Gender-Based Violence. She will be responsible for managing CWGL's programming and policy work pertaining to violence against women, which includes the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence Campaign.

Ms. Hamid has many years of experience working with national and international NGOs, including the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders. She has also served as a program and research coordinator with the Afghan Woman's Network in Kabul, working in support of women's rights through a variety of advocacy and capacity building projects. Ms. Hamid has worked on United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 monitoring and advocacy and has written several articles and papers related to gender issues.

"We are thrilled to have Zarin join CWGL. She brings a wealth of international experience working on issues related to violence against women, building coalitions of NGO and UN entities and engaging social media for social justice," said Dr. Radhika Balakrishnan, CWGL's executive director.

"I am excited to be a part of the dedicated team at CWGL. Coming from a peace and conflict background, this is an incredible opportunity for me to share my perspective and knowledge on gender and human rights. I look forward to supporting the work being done on these issues along with the intersecting areas of economic and social rights and being able to support our partners and sister organizations in the work toward a more just and peaceful world," stated Ms. Hamid on her appointment.

Ms. Hamid is an alumna of Douglass College and American University, where she earned a Masters in International Peace and Conflict Resolution with a focus on gender and human rights in conflict situations. Zarin speaks English and Persian.

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