



WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR

**PEACE & FREEDOM**

UNITED KINGDOM

*If you are concerned about...*

- Rising number of armed conflicts around the world
- The absence of women during conflict resolution and peace negotiations
- Highest number of refugees ever, worldwide (most of whom are women and children)
- Multi-national organisations exerting too much influence over our everyday lives, both in ways we know about and ways we don't
- Increasing environmental effects of armed conflicts
- Billions spent on building and maintaining weapon systems and facilities when millions of people in the UK and worldwide lack healthcare, education, social services, food, water and housing

*Then please join us!*

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## Who we are:

The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) is the oldest international women's peace organisation active today.

## What we do:

WILPF's mission is to end and prevent war through the analysis of root causes; ensure that women are represented at all levels in the peace-building process; defend the human rights of women and men; and promote social, economic and political justice.

## Why we do:

It goes without saying that war and conflict affect both men and women's human rights. However, there are particular gendered dimensions to violence that have a disproportionate and differing impact on women. Though women have been, and are, active agents in peace and reconciliation efforts at all levels, women and gender analysis are regularly excluded from peace-making processes and decisions. WILPF believes that the exclusion of women from leadership roles, the lack of discussion of women's key concerns and the political denial of gender effects remain key impediment to the attainment of sustainable peace and human security. This must not be ignored!



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## How we do – in the UK:

WILPF in the UK is involved in a number of local, national and international campaigns and networks. Members work through branches, as individuals and in co-operation with other organisations to further WILPF's vision. We regularly lobby the Government on issues associated with WILPF campaigns on disarmament, human rights and economic and environmental justice, including: protesting against Trident renewal; promoting women's rights in Eritrea; highlighting injustices in the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership; and monitoring the UK's National Action Plan under UNSCR1325. Several branches have recently taken local action in Brighton and Hove, Cornwall, Edinburgh, Faslane, Glasgow, Sheffield and Westminster. We have branches across the UK from Scotland to Cornwall and can put you in touch with your nearest branch when you join. Branch details are also on the WILPF website. [wilpf.org.uk](http://wilpf.org.uk)

## How we do – internationally:

UK WILPF is a national Section of WILPF International, a non-profit, non-governmental (NGO) organisation with Sections on every continent. The International Secretariat works out of Geneva and New York and coordinates WILPF work around the world. In 1948, WILPF was part of the first group of NGOs to receive consultative status with the UN through the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). We also have consultative status with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) and the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).



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# Welcome to WILPF

I would like to join WILPF and agree to support and abide by WILPF's Code of Conduct (full text available on the website: [www.wilpf.org.uk/get-involved/how-to-become-a-member/](http://www.wilpf.org.uk/get-involved/how-to-become-a-member/)).

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## Membership rates:

\_\_\_\_\_ New: £10

\_\_\_\_\_ Standard: £16 - £30 (member's choice)

\_\_\_\_\_ Concessionary (Students and those on a low income): £10

\_\_\_\_\_ Joint: £27 (Standard); £18 (Concessionary)

\_\_\_\_\_ Additional donation: £ \_\_\_\_\_

## Payment may be made:

- Online via PayPal: details on the website as above
  - By cheque made payable to: WILPF
  - Standing Order: form available upon request
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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