

CALL FOR A STOP OF RESEARCH ON ANTIFERTILITY ‘VACCINES’ (immunological contraceptives)

We, the undersigned, call for an immediate halt to the development of immunological contraceptives because of concerns about health risks, potential for abuse, unethical research, and the assumptions underlying this direction of contraceptive research.

Groups of contraceptive researchers worldwide have been developing a completely new class of contraceptives for the past two decades. Immunological contraceptives, also known as antifertility ‘vaccines’, are being developed primarily for women in LACAAP¹ countries.

Five major institutions are currently carrying out the research:

- * The National Institute of Immunology, New Delhi, India;
- * The World Health Organisation, Geneva, Switzerland;
- * The Population Council, New York, USA;
- * The Contraceptive Research and Development Programme (CONRAD), Norfolk, USA; and
- * The National Institute for Child Health and Development (NICHD), Bethesda, USA.

A variety of organizations are funding this research. They include the World Bank, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Rockefeller Foundation, the US Agency for International Development (USAID), the International Research and Development Center (IDRC, Canada), and the governments of India, Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom and Germany.

The stated aim of those developing antifertility ‘vaccines’ is to induce temporary infertility by turning the immune system against body components which

are essential for human reproduction. A variety of immunological contraceptives -mainly for women but also for men - are now being tested in clinical trials. The ‘vaccine’ which is most far advanced aims to neutralize the human pregnancy hormone hCG (human chorionic gonadotrophin), a hormone produced in a woman’s body by a fertilized egg shortly after conception. This hormone is altered, then coupled to a bacterial or viral carrier (for example, a diphtheria or tetanus toxoid) so that the immune system mistakes the natural pregnancy hormone for an infectious germ and reacts against it. The body thus does not get a signal to prepare for pregnancy and the fertilized egg is expelled. Other immunological contraceptives are developed to interfere with the production of sperm, the maturation of egg cells, the fertilization process, or the implantation and development of the early embryo.

We oppose the development of immunological contraceptives. Our main reasons are:

1. ABUSE POTENTIAL

Immunological contraceptives will not give women greater control over their fertility, but rather less. Immunological contraceptives have a higher abuse potential than any existing method. They will be long-acting (depending on the type they may last from one year to life-long). They cannot be ‘switched off’, and they are easy to administer on a mass scale because they will be injectables or a single pill. Researchers claim that the popularity and wide-spread acceptance of anti-disease vaccines could facilitate the introduction of antifertility ‘vaccines’, especially in LACAAP countries. This compounds our concern about mass administration of immunological contraceptives without people’s knowledge or informed consent.

¹LACAAP =Latin American, Caribbean, African, Asian, Pacific.

2. MANIPULATION OF THE IMMUNE SYSTEM FOR CONTRACEPTIVE PURPOSES

Immunological contraceptives: present no advantage for women over existing contraceptives. Because they use the immune system, they are inherently unreliable. Individuals can react completely differently to the same kind of immunological contraceptive. For example, the Indian anti-hCG formula, the most advanced method, did not work for 20% of the women; while its effect lasted from six months to over two years in other women. In addition, stress, malnutrition and disease will cause unpredictable failures of the contraceptive. In women and men with a predisposition to allergies and autoimmune diseases, on the other hand, the 'vaccine' may cause life-long sterility. People will have no outward sign to know whether and when an immunological contraceptive is working.

Immunological contraceptives are unlikely to ever be harmless. They interfere with delicate and complex immunological and reproductive processes. There are many potential risks: induction of autoimmune diseases and allergies, exacerbation of infectious diseases and immune disturbances, a high risk of fetal exposure to ongoing immune reactions. As research on antifertility 'vaccines' began 20 years ago, little or no thought has been given on how immunological contraceptives may directly or indirectly increase risks of HIV infection, or hasten the onset of full-blown AIDS.

Interference with the immune system for contraceptive purposes is indefensible at a time when primary health care systems in many countries are being dismantled, when the incidence of many infectious diseases are increasing, and when we have become acutely aware of the preciousness and complexity of our immune defense.

3. UNETHICAL CLINICAL TRIALS

Clinical trials have taken place in India, Brazil, Sweden, Finland, Dominican Republic, Chile, Australia. Trials are currently taking place in India (perhaps also in the United States) and are planned in Sweden.

International standards of ethics in clinical trials state that human experimentation should only take place if the product being developed offers advantages over existing options. Immunological contraceptives offer no advantage in terms of efficacy, reversibility, safety, protection against sexually transmitted diseases or control by the user. The risks to women and men cannot be justified. .

In addition, these trials are of concern because:

- * There has been insufficient testing of the anti-hCG contraceptive on animals before testing in humans; the animals used do not give enough indication of adverse effects for women and their children;
- * The enrolment of women was not based on informed consent. The efficacy and safety of the immunological contraceptive has been overstated. Consent forms have compared immunological contraceptives to anti-disease vaccines. This analogy obscures the differences in principle of action and purpose between the manipulation of the immune system for contraception and the induction of immune defense against harmful microorganisms;
- * There has been insufficient data collection about adverse effects to women and to children born to women during trials.

4. FRAMEWORK OF CONTRACEPTIVE RESEARCH

The interplay between population control institutions. Northern and Southern countries, religious institutions, the medical establishment, as well as the community, the society and male partners profoundly influences the type of contraceptives available and the way they are being provided - or not provided. As many researchers readily admit, the concept of antifertility 'vaccines' was conceived in a "demographic driven, science led" framework: The major funders of contraceptive research want to increase the effectiveness of population control programmes. Most of the scientists involved in the research see the body as a machine to be mastered. The major trend in contraceptive development has been to create technologies which are long acting, have a low user failure rate, which lend themselves for mass fertility control - and which interfere with

delicate and complex processes in the human body. Research on intrauterine devices, long-acting hormonal injectables and implants (Norplant) has been given precedence over user controlled low-tech methods such as diaphragms and condoms; or over existing local practices of fertility control. Women are seen as better contraceptive acceptors than men. Most contraceptive research is still directed at methods for women.

Antifertility 'vaccines' are a logical culmination of this framework.

WHAT DO WE WANT?

We call for a radical reorientation of contraceptive research. Population control ideology should not guide the development of contraceptives. Approximately 10% of public funding for new

contraceptive research worldwide is currently being spent on antifertility 'vaccines' We would like to see this funding, redirected. The aim must be to enable people -particularly women - to exert greater control over their fertility without sacrificing their integrity, health and well being. Contraceptive development must be oriented at the realities of women's lives. Above all it must consider local health care conditions and the position of women in society.

We call on all research institutions involved, in particular the National Institute of Immunology, The Population Council and the World Health Organization to immediately stop all research on immunological contraceptives.

We call on all funders to stop financing this type of contraceptive.

Signatory

Organisation

Address

The Open Letter "CALL FOR A HALT TO RESEARCH ON ANTIFERTILITY 'VACCINES'" has been signed by April 1994 by 338 groups and organisations from 34 countries. On November 8 1993 the Call (including the signatures collected by then) has been sent to the major Research Institutes and Funding Bodies involved in the reserach on anti fertility 'vaccines'.

The sending of the Call was the first step in an International Campaign to stop the research and the collection of signatures is being continued.

AUSTRALIA

- The Women's Health Service for the West, Footscray
- Women's Abortion Action Campaign, St. James NSW

AUSTRIA

- Frauensolidarität, Wien
- Österreichischer Informationsdienst für Entwicklungspolitik (ÖIE)

BANGLADESH

- Gonoshastraya Kendra, Dhaka
- Resistance Network, Dhaka
- UBINIG, Dhaka
- Women for Women, Dhaka

BARBADOS

- WAND Women and Development Unit, St. Michael

BRAZIL

As many individuals in the Brazilian organisations also signed personally, we put between brackets the amount of signatures that we received.

- AABV, Boa Vista
- ABEN - MA, Sao Luiz (8)
- Acao Civica dos Cegos, Rio de Janeiro
- ALERJ, Rio de Janeiro (6)
- AMDIRN, Natal
- Apoio UNICA, Olinda
- Assembléia Legislativa do RJ, Rio de Janeiro
- Assistência Judiciária de OAB/RN, Natal
- Associação Brasileira de Mulheres da Carreira Jurídica - ABMCJ, Natal
- Ass. Liberdade Mulher, Rio de Janeiro
- CACES, Rio de Janeiro
- Casa da Mulher do Nordeste, Recife (9)
- Casa da Mulher Grajaú, Grajaú (8)
- Casa do Parto, Centro Saúde Santa Rosa, Belo Horizonte
- Casa Menina Mulher da CPP, Recife
- CCSA-Depto. de Serviço Social, Maceió
- CCSO-Núcleo de Estudios e Pesquisa sobre Condição Feminina, Maceió
- CEAC, Rio de Janeiro
- CEAP, Rio de Janeiro
- CEMINA, Niterói (8)
- CENPIA, Niterói

- Centro Acotirano de Formação Popular, Maceió
- Contro das Mulheres da Vila Brejal, Maceió
- Centro Jos XXIII, Rio de Janeiro
- Centre Solano Trindade, Documentação e Pesquisa, Recife (4)
- CEPIA, Rio de Janeiro
- CERP, Rio de Janeiro
- CESA/SESAB
- CESTE/FluCRUZ. Rio de Janeiro
- CIEPH, Florianópolis
- Clube de Maes de Paratibe, Paulista (52)
- CMB - Laranjeiras, Rio de Janeiro
- Colectivo Feminista Sexualidade e Saúde, Sao Paulo
- Colectivo Mulher Vida, Olinda, Brazil (6)
- Colectivo Refazendo, Recife
- Conselho de Moradores do Planeta dos Macacos, Recife (74)
- Cons. Municipal dos Direitos da Mulher e das Minorias, Natal
- COPPE/UFRJ, Rio de Janeiro (5)
- CRIOLA, Rio de Janeiro
- CSAU/UFAL (15)
- Cunha Colectivo Feminista, Joao Pessoa (11)
- CURUMIN, Recife
- DEAF - COMPPDOP, Rio de Janeiro
- EMBRATEL, Rio de Janeiro
- ENSP, Rio de Janeiro
- ESPACO, Sao Paulo (10)
- FASE, Brasil
- Federação das Mulheres do RN, Natal
- FNETS - Tijuca, Rio de Janeiro
- Forum de Mulheres de Pernambuco, Recife (86)
- Forum Mulheres Niterói, Niterói
- FURTAC - AC, Rio Branco
- Grupo Autônomo de Mulheres, GAM, Natal
- Grupo Dar á Luz, Brasília
- Grupo de Gestantes, Rio de Janeiro
- Grupo de Mulheres da Ilha, Sao Luis (5)
- Grupo de Mulheres da Sha, Sao Luis
- Grupo de Parto Alternativo-Unicamp, Campinas
- Grupo Justiça Seja Feita, Recife (21)
- Grupo Mulher Maravilha, Recife (97)
- IBGE, Rio de Janeiro
- IDAC, Rio de Janeiro (7)
- INAMPS, Rio de Janeiro
- Instituto Aurora de Yoga, Rio de Janeiro
- ISER, Rio de Janeiro (31)
- M.C.B.C., Sao Luiz
- Metropolitana da Cidade de Recife, Recife
- MMT Movimento Mulheres Trabalhadoras, Paraiba
- Movimento Assistencial de Porto Alegre, Porto Alegre
- Movimento de Mulheres de Mulheres em SC, Florianópolis

- MUSA,
- Núcleo da Saúde da Mulher, Goiania
- Oficina de Papol Meninos e Meninas do Recife, Recife
- Ordero doa AdvoGados do Brasil, Rio de Janeiro
- Prefeitura Muniopal de Campinas, Campinas
- Promotora de Justica, Rio de Janeiro
- REDEH Red de Defesa de Especie Humana, Rio de Janeiro (7)
- Secretaria da Mulher PT, Bayeux
- SEEB/MA, Sao Luis
- SENAI. Rio de Janeiro
- SENUN, Rio de Janeiro
- Sindicato das Parteiras Obstetras e Enfermeiras, Rio de Janeiro (15)
- Sindicato dos Trabalhadores Domesticos ma Area (37)
- Sindicato Trab. em Entidades Sindicais, Maceió
- SINDSPREV, Niterói
- SINTEP, Joao Pessoa (43)
- SOS CORPO, Grupo de Saude da Mulher, Recife (19)
- UFRJ - Geo Ciências, Rio de Janeiro
- UNICAMP, Campinas
- Universidade Federal da Paraíba, Paraíba
- Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Florianópolis
- VIA TV Mulher. Rio de Janeiro
- VO.SE.F. Bo-Italla, Recife

CANADA

- Alternative Pour Elles, maison d'hebergement pour femmes victimes de violence conjugale et leursr enfants
- Centre de Femmes L'E.R.I.G.E., La Sarre
- Conseil d'intervention pour faeces des femmes au travail, Montréal
- Fédération du Quebec pour le planning des naissances, Montréal
- Femmes en Mouvement, Bonaventura
- Inter Pares, Ottawa
- Le centre des femmes La Sentin'Elle, Iles de la Madeleine
- Le Collectif de Sept-Iles pour la Santé des Femmes, Sept-Iles
- Le Collectif féministe de Rouyn-Noranda.pour la santé des femmes, Rouyn-Noranda
- Maison Mikana, Amos
- Naissance Renaissance Inc., Montréal
- Regroupement des Femmes de Gaspé Inc., Gaspé
- Regroupement des Centres de Femmes du Québec, Montréal
- South Asian Women's Community Centre, Montréal
- Women's Health Interaction, Ottawa

CHILE

- Foro Abierto de Salud y Derechos Reproductivos, Santiago
- Colectivo El Telar, Santiago
- Casa de la Mujer La Morada, Santiago
- Colectivo Mujer Salud y Medicina Social - COMUSAMS, Santiago
- Colectivo Atención Primaria de Salud, Santiago
- FEMPRESS Mujer-Ilet, Santiago
- Movimiento de Emancipación de la Mujer, Santiago

- Educación Popular en Salud - EPES, Santiago
- Casa de la Mujer Valparaíso, Valparaíso
- Colectivo Arcilla, Santiago

DENMARK

- KULU Women and Development, Copenhagen

EL SALVADOR .

- DIGNAS, urbanizacion Venezuela, San Salvador
- Mujeres para la Dignidad y la Vida, San Salvador

ETHIOPIA ,

- Netherlands Development Organization, Addis Ababa

FIJI

- FWRM, Suva

FINLAND

- Health Action International - Finland, Helsinki

FRANCE

- MFPPF, Mouvement Français pour le Planning Familial, Brignoles (Il)
- Women Living Under Muslim Laws, Grabels

GERMANY

- Agisra, women against sex tourism and trafficking in women, Frankfurt
- AK Brasilien, Brasil Solidarity Group, Aachen
- Aktionsgemeinschaft Solidarische Welt, Action World Solidarity, Berlin
- Apotheke am Viktoriaplatz, pharmacy, Berlin
- Arbeitsgemeinschaft Katholischer Studenten und Hochschulgemeinden, Study Group of Catholic Students and Uniyerstiy Parishes, Bonn
- Arbeitskreis Dritte Welt, Study Group Third World, Oldenburg
- Autonomes Referat fUr Frauen- und Lesbenpolitik, Duisburg
- BUKO Pharma-Kampagne, Bielefeld
- Cara, Bremen
- 3. Welt Forum, Third World Forum, Aachen
- Dritte Welt Haus, Third World House, Bielefeld
- Eskapaden, Feministische Bildungs- und Kulturarbeit, Hildesheim
- Feministisches Frauengesundheitszentrum, Feminist Health Center, Berlin
- Feministisches Frauengesundheitszentrum, Feminist Health Center. Nürnberg
- Feminist International Resistance against Reproductive and Genetic Engineering, FINRRAGE, International Coordination, Hamburg
- Frauenbüro, Women's Office, Darmstadt
- Frauen helfen Frauen, Women Assist Women, Frauenhaus, Battered Women's Refuge, Bielefeld
- Frauen Selbsthilfe Laden, Women Help Themselves, Hamburg
- Frauen und Mädchen Gesundheitszentrum, Health Center for Women and Girls, Freiburg
- Frauenbildungswerk e V, educational Center for Women, Bielefeld
- Frauenbuchladen, Women's Book Store, Bielefeld

- Frauengruppe gegen den § 218, women for the right to abortion, Freiburg
- Frauenkulturzentrum, Women's Cultural Center, Bielefeld
- FrauenLesben gegen Bevölkerungspolitik, WomenLesbians against Population Policies, Darmstadt
- § 218 Gruppe, women.for the right to abortion, Münster
- Impatientia/Genarchiv, archive on genetic engineering and reproductive technologies, Essen
- Katholische StudentInnengemeinde, Catholic Students' Community, Münster
- Mädchenhaus, refuge for girls, Bielefeld
- Mädchentreff, meeting place for girls, Bielefeld
- Nut - Frauen in Naturwissenschaft und Technik, Berlin
- Selbstverteidigung für Frauen e V, Self-Defence for Women, Bielefeld
- Terre des Femmes, Tübingen
- Terre des Homines BRDeutschland e.V. Osnabrück
- Wildwasser, women helping raped girls, Bielefeld

GHANA

- Society of Ghana Women, Medical and Dental Practitioners, Korlebu

HAITI

- ENFOFANM, Port au Prince

INDIA

- Action India, New Delhi
- Adarsh Rural Integrated Development Society, Bukkopatnam
- AIDS Awareness Group, New Delhi
- AIDS Bhedbhav Virodhi Andolan
- All India Democratic Women's Association
- All India Drug Action Network, New Delhi
- All India Mahila Dakshata Samiti, New Delhi
- Ankur, New Delhi
- Ashadeep Vikas Kendra, Bombay
- Association for Social Health in India, Bangalore
- Bandra East Community Centre, Bombay
- Bhavatiya Mahila Federation, Nagpur
- Centre for Women's Development Studies, New Delhi
- Cheshive Home, Bombay
- Chhatra Yuva Sangharsh Vahini. Bombay
- Committee for Protection of Democratic Rights, Bombay
- Community Health Cell, Bangalore
- CREST, Bangalore
- Dakshini Mahila Mandali, Bangalore
- Deccan Development Society, Pastapur
- Forum Against Oppression of Women, Bombay
- Forum Against Sex Determination and Sex Preselection, Bombay
- Forum for Women's Health, Bombay
- Indian People's Human Rights Commission, Bombay
- Institute of Indian Culture, Bombay
- Institute of Social Studies Trust, New Delhi
- Institutional Association for Childrens Development, Bombay
- IWID. Madras

- Jagori, New Delhi
- Jagruthi Kendra, Bombay
- Jagruthi Mahilla Sangh, Bangalore
- Jeevan Nirvah Niketan. Bombay
- Join Women's Programme, New Delhi
- Kali for Women, New Delhi
- Karnataka Women Teachers Association, Bangalore
- Khedut Mazdoor Chetna Sangath, Alirajpur
- Madras Institute of Development Studies, Madras (10)
- Mahila Sanskrutik Mand, Nagpur
- Manini, Bangalore
- Multiple Action Research Group, New Delhi
- Narmada Bachao Andolan, Bombay
- National Federation of Indian Women, New Delhi
- People's Union for Democratic Rights, New Delhi
- Pragati Sheel Mahilla Samiti, New Delhi
- Public Interest Research Group, New Delhi
- Purogami Mahila Sangathan, Bombay
- Purogami Mahila Sangathan, New Delhi
- Sabia Sangh, New Delhi
- Sabrang, Bombay
- Safeline Madras, Madras
- SAHELI Women's Resource Centre, New Delhi
- Sahiyar, Baroda
- Samaj Sewa Niketan, Bombay
- Sewa Niketan, Bombay
- Shakti Resource Centre for Women, Bombay- Shaktishalini, New Delhi
- Shravanti Valley Development Society, Anakapalle
- SNEHIDI, Madras
- Speak India; Rapur
- SPED, Society for Rural Education and Development, Arakonam
- Stree Chetna, Nagpur
- Stree Manch, Nagpur
- Stree Mukti Sangathana, Bombay
- Stree Shakti Sadan, Bombay
- Stree Uvach, Bombay
- Sumangali Seva Ashram, Bangalore
- UTTHAN Village Development Society. Patna (120)
- Women and Health Cell, Medico Friends Circle, Bombay
- Women's Centra, Bombay
- Women's Voice, Bangalore
- YUVA, Bombay
- Y.W.C.A., Bombay

KENYA

- MEDS, Mission for Essential Drugs and Supplies, Nairobi

MALAYSIA

- Asian & Pacific Development Centre, Kuala Lumpur

MEXICO

- CREFAL, Mexico
- GEM, Mexico
- Grupo EMAS, Mexico
- Hai Mexico, Mexico
- Mujerea de SEDEPAC, Mexico (7)
- PIEM Programa Interdisciplinario de Estudios de la Mujer, Mexico
- PROESA, Mexico (5)
- PSRS (Political Party), Mexico

NETHERLANDS

- CEBEMO, Catholic Organisation for joint financing for development programs, Oegstgeest
- Coordination Office of Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights, based in Amsterdam
- Department of Gender Studies in Agriculture, Wageningen
- DES Action, Utrecht
- HAI-Europe Coordinating Office, Amsterdam
- HIVOS, Humanistic Institute for Cooperation with Developing Countries, The Hague
- HOM, Humanistic Committee on Human Rights, Utrecht
- ICCO Interchurch organisation for development cooperation, Zeist
- India Committee of the Netherlands, Utrecht
- International Solidarity for Safe Contraception, Amsterdam
- Network of Women in Development Agencies in the Netherlands, Oegstgeest
- OIKOS, Utrecht
- SNV, The Hague
- Stichting Onderzoek & Voorlichting Bevolkingspolitiek, Rotterdam
- Tall Tree Consultancy, Amsterdam
- Wemos, Amsterdam
- WHAF Women's Health Action Foundation, Amsterdam
- Women's Group of the India Committee of the Netherlands, Utrecht
- Women's Health Center ISIS, Amsterdam

NICARAGUA

- Colectivo de Mujeres de Matagalpa, Matagalpa

NIGERIA

- EMPARC Empowerment Action, and Research Centre, Lagos

PERU

- CEM
- Cendoc-Mujer, Lima (7)
- Centre de Culturas Indias CHIRAPAQ, Lima
- CESIP Centro de Estudios Sociales y Publicaciones, Lima
- CHIRAPAQ Centro de Culturas Indias, Lima
- Movimiento Manuela Ramos, Lima

PHILIPPINES

- BINHI Agricultural Resource Foundation, Inc., Quezon City
- CWR Centre for Women's Resources, Quezon City
- Center for Environmental Concerns, Quezon City
- Food For All Coalition FFAC, Quezon City

- GABRIELA Commission on Violence against Women, Quezon City
- GABRIELA Commission on Women's- Political Rights, Quezon City we received 11 signatures
- GCWHRR, Quezon City
- IAS Institute for Alternative Studies, Manila
- LAYA Women's Collective, Quezon? City
- MASAI, Quezon City
- Mindanao Institute for Development, Inc., Mindanao
- NATL Union of Students of the Phillipines - NUSP, Manila
- Partnership in Development.

ROMANIA

- Women's National Confederation, Bucharest

RWANDA

- SNV Rwanda, Kigali

SOUTH AFRICA

- Women's Health Project. Parktown
- SAHSSO, South African Health & Social Services Organisation, Booyens
- St. Scholasticas Clinic, Soekmekaar

SWITZERLAND

- Antigena, Frauengruppe gegen Gentechnologie und Bevölkerungspolitik, Zürich
- Arbeitsgruppe Schweiz - Kolumbien, Study Group Switzerland -Colombia, Luzern
- Arbeitskreis Tourismus & Entwicklung, Basel
- Basisgruppe Theologie, Fribourg
- EcoSolidar, Zürich
- Erklärung von Bern, Zürich
- Espace Femmes International, Geneva
- Feministisches.Theologinnenforum, Fribourg
- FIZ, Fraueninformationszentrum Dritte Welt, Zürich
- FraP Frauen mach Politik, Zürich
- Frauen des Schweizerischen Friedensrates, Zürich
- Frauen für den Frieden Aargau, Aarau
- Frauen für Aussenpolitik, deutsche Schweiz
- Frauezeitig FRAZ, Zürich
- Genossenschaft Frauenambulatorium, Zürich
- INCOMINDIOS Schweiz, Internationales Komitee für die indigenen Völker Amerikas, Basel
- INFRA. Informationsstelle für Frauen, Zürich
- MoZ, Gruppe Mutterschaft ohne Zwang, Zürich
- NOGERETE, nationale feministische Organisation gegen Gen-und Reproduktionstechnologie, Zürich
- Nottelefon für'vergewaltigte Frauen, Zürich
- OFRA,-, Organisation für die Sache der Frau, Basel
- OFRA, Organisation für die Sache der Frau, Bern
- OFRA, Organisation für die Sache der Frau, Zug
- PRAKRITI INDIA, Schweiz. Verein für die Erhaltung der Tier-und Pflanzenvielfalt in Indien, Biel
- Schwesterngemeinschaft, Zürich
- Vereinigung der unabhängigen Ärztinnen und Ärzte der Region Zürich
- Vereinigung Dritte-Welt-Läden, Nd. Erlinsbach

- Zentralamerika-Sekretariat, Zürich

TANZANIA

- TAMWA Tanzania Media Women's Association, Dar-Es-Salaam

URUGUAY

- Cotidiano Mujer, Montevideo

USA

- Betsy Hartmann. Population & Development Program, Hampshire College, Amherst. (Only for identification purpose)
- Institute on Women & Technology, Amherst
- Tufts University. Department of Urban & Environmental Policy, Medford MA
- UBINIG, Columbia University. New York City

ZAMBIA

- Environment and Population Centre. Lusaka

ZIMBABWE

- Catholic Women's Clubs, Harare
- SAFES. Southern Africa Political Economy Series, Harare
- WAG Women's Action Group, Harare
- WASN Women and Aids Support Network, Harare
- WiLDAF Women in Law and Development in Africa, Harare
- University of Zimbabwe, Harare