upcoming side event 13/09/2016

ADDRESSING THE IMPACT OF ARMS TRADE ON WOMEN’S RIGHTS

Human Rights Council
Room XXVII, Palais des Nations, Geneva
13 September 2016 (14h30 - 16h00)

About the Event

The link between gender based violence and international arms trade has been recognized in the ATT (article 7(4)). The CEDAW Committee and the CESCR have also considered this link and affirmed that ensuring an effective regulation of the arms trade to prevent violations is an obligation enshrined in CEDAW and the ICESCR.

This side-event will discuss the case of Yemen to reflect how arms transfer is affecting women, and how it is hindering the peace negotiations process. It will also analyze how consequences of the armed conflict in Yemen could have been prevented by an embargo on arms exports to all parties in this conflict.

Speakers

Chair: Jane Connors,
Director, International Advocacy Programme, Amnesty International

• Rasha Jarhum,

• Mia Gandenberger,
Reaching Critical Will Programme Manager at the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom

• Sarah Boukhary,
Crisis Response Programme Associate at the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom

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