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Russian Federation: Press conference on violence against women in the family

Amnesty International and the Association of Crisis Centres for Women "Stop Violence" will highlight their concerns and recommendations to the Russian government. The recommendations include concrete steps the Russian government must take to prevent violence against women in the family. The press conference will be held at:

Central House of Journalist 8a Nikitskii Boulevard Moscow 121019 Monday 19 May 2003, 11:00 hrs Moscow time

Speakers:

Lara Griffith, Amnesty International.

Irina Khaldeeva, President of the Association of Crisis Centres for Women "Stop Violence" and Natalia Abubikirova, Executive Director of the Association of Crisis Centres for Women "Stop Violence".

As part of its worldwide campaign on human rights in the Russian Federation, Amnesty International seeks to express solidarity and to work closely with Russian non-governmental organizations. Together with the Association of Crisis Centres for Women "Stop Violence" Amnesty International will work for the implementation of international and national standards for the protection of the rights of women - in particular the response of the police and criminal justice system to violence against women in the family.

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