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Amnesty International to launch report *Giving Life, Risking Death: Maternal Mortality in Burkina Faso*

On **27 January** an Amnesty International delegation is visiting Burkina Faso to launch a report '*Giving Life, Risking Death: Maternal Mortality in Burkina Faso*'.

The report will be released at a press conference in Ouagadougou but is available to international media under embargo (**embargo time 27 January 00.01 GMT**)

Giving Life, Risking Death outlines how women and girls are dying needlessly during pregnancy and childbirth because they don't have access to education and sexual health advice.

The Burkina Faso government's efforts to reduce maternal deaths have been undermined by abuses by medical staff, shortages of supplies and staff, as well as discrimination against women.

A large selection of photos are available for use in the media.

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