

انطلقت في شباط/فبراير 2001 الوكالة الجديدة للأمم المتحدة و التي تعنى بشؤون المرأة.

وفي مقابلة مع ميشيل باتشيليت المديرية التنفيذية لهيئة الأمم المتحدة للمرأة، قالت باتشيليت:

"سوف ندعم بنشاط ونبحث عن طرق مبتكرة لتمكين المرأة اقتصاديا وزيادة دور المرأة القيادي كداعية للتغيير، وجعل قضية النساء في مركز عمليات السلام والأمن." :

(1) هل يمكن لك أن تشرحي لنا ما الذي دفعك الى جعل العنف ضد المرأة واحدة من الأولويات الرئيسية لهيئة الأمم المتحدة للمرأة؟ وما هي أنواع العنف الذي تتعرض له النساء في العالم؟

Violence against women is one of the most widespread human rights violations. It is one of five priority areas UN Women will focus on because making progress in this area can accelerate progress for women across many fields. For example, a woman who lives free from violence has much better prospects to find a good job, seek an education, care for her health and act as a leader in her community or elsewhere.

Women face many types of violence. Many societies in the world today have some elements of this, and the prevalence rates can be as high as 76% if you look at women across their lifetimes. Specific forms of violence include domestic violence, rape, sexual violence as a weapon of war, early marriage and female genital mutilation.

(2) ما هي أولوياتك الأخرى التي تخططين لها، وكيف تقومين بحشد الموارد اللازمة لتحقيق أهدافك؟

We will actively support and look for creative ways to empower women economically, increase women's roles as leaders and advocates of change, bring women to the centre of peace and security processes, and integrate gender equality priorities across national planning. Part of mobilizing resources to achieve these goals will be to demonstrate how much of a contribution women make to development, not just for themselves, but for their societies at large. There is growing evidence of this. The most recent World Economic Forum Global Gender Gap Index Report, for example, shows that out of 114 countries, it is those with greater gender equality that are more competitive and grow faster.

(3) ما هي الموارد البشرية والمالية المتوفرة حاليا لهيئة الأمم المتحدة للمرأة ؟ هل هي كافية لتحقيق مهمتكم؟

UN Women inherited the resources of the four UN entities that have been combined to create it. Building on these resources and moving forward, as recommended in the Secretary-General's comprehensive proposal of January 2010, a minimum annual budget of US \$500 million is foreseen. This is the target we will be working towards.