



Programme for Christian-Muslim Relations in Africa  
Programme des Relations Islamo-Chrétiennes en Afrique



## STATEMENT OF AFFIRMATION BY WOMEN PARTICIPANTS

REGIONAL CONSULTATION OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS (CHRISTIANS AND MUSLIMS) IN FRANCOPHONE WEST AFRICA ON CONFLICT PREVENTION AND THE PROMOTION OF PEACE IN WEST AFRICA

Hôtel des Conférences Ouind Yide SARL  
Ouagadougou  
du 25 au 28 Avril 2016

We, Christian and Muslim women from Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire , the Republic of Guinea Conakry, Mali, Niger and Senegal being part of the consultation organised by the Programme for Christian-Muslim Relations in Africa ( PROCMURA ) for religious leaders ( Christians and Muslims ) to critically reflect and strategise on conflict prevention, curbing radicalisation and violent extremism and promotion of sustainable peace in the sub-region;

**Having** discussed issues related to our status as women of faith;

**Knowing** that Islam and Christianity place great value on women in society;

**Recognising** that illiteracy is a major challenge that hinders our progress toward total socio-cultural and economic emancipation as women;

**Resolve** to vigorously advocate for the education of women in general and more particularly the girl-child in our respective countries;

**Commit** ourselves to establish networks of Christian and Muslim women in all the countries that we represent so as to facilitate and coordinate our actions for in line with what PROCMURA advocates and stands for;

**Pledge** to fight tirelessly against factors and practices (such as rape, domestic violence, marginalisation, arbitrary mishandling of matrimonial issues etc ...) that degrade women and obstruct the way of peace in particular and holistic development in general;

**We call** on religious leaders to support and strengthen the capacities of women leaders in their quest to enhance the awareness of their sisters and daughters, towards active participation of women in the development of their countries.

**We covenant** to relentlessly work with other Christian and Muslim women on issues of education of children, conflict prevention and the maintenance of peace and reconciliation.

Finally, **we promise** to disseminate lessons learnt at this consultation and implement actions agreed thereof.

Statement affirmed this day 28th April 2016 in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

Ont signé :

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