

# for the period January – April 2015

As we have done in the past, we are providing you with a brief report regarding our action in this period. If you are interested in more detailed information you can find it on web-site **www.zeneucrnom.org** or by contacting us by mail at **zeneucrnombeograd@gmail.com** 

We would like to thank you in advance, in solidarity.





# STREET ACTIONS

During the period covered by this report we have organized **eight** (8) actions, and we also took part in other street actions.

- Commemorations/memorialisation of important dates of crimes committed in our name
- Feminist, antifascist, anti-war, antiracist and antimilitarist actions...

# Commemorations of important dates of crimes committed in our name, as well as of other crimes against civilians during (and after) the wars in ex-Yugoslavia:

**20 years of genocide in Srebrenica – We remember**! – aiming to commemorate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the genocide in Srebrenica, every 11<sup>th</sup> of the month, together with peace organizations and art collectives from Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro, WIB organized a series of activities in Belgrade, Sarajevo, Kotor, as well as in other towns in Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro. Within this report, we will name other actions and activities (activist-artistic, lectures, debates, working meetings, film projections, etc.) and in this here column we name only street actions:

• February 11<sup>th</sup>, Potočari/Srebrenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina: Solidarity visit to the Memorial Centre in Potočari/Srebrenica, as support to the women of Srebrenica, as solidarity with the families of the victims of the genocide in Srebrenica; this action was participated by activists of WIB from Belgrade, activists of the WIB Network from Serbia, as well as activists of UDIK (the Association for Social Research and Communication from Sarajevo). In Potočari, we visited the Memorial Centre and met with the women of Srebrenica.



- March 11<sup>th</sup>, Kotor, Montenegro: On the main city Square, Anima (the Centre for Women's Peace Education from Kotor) in coordination with the Women in Black from Belgrade, held a protest in black and in silence "20 years of genocide in Srebrenica We Remember!" The protest was participated by about 15 activists.
- April 11<sup>th</sup>, Belgrade: in Knez Mihailova Street, Women in Black organized a protest in black and in silence, with huge banner which said "20 years of genocide in Srebrenica – We Remember!" The protest was attended by 30 persons, activists of Women in Black from following towns: Belgrade, Kruševac, Leskovac, Zrenjanin, Novi Bečej.

#### Other street actions related to this issue:

**February 27<sup>th</sup>, Belgrade:** On occasion of the crime in Štrpci, Women in Black, the Humanitarian Law Centre and the Youth Initiative for Human Rights organized (from 15:48 to 16:48) a peace action "Truth – responsibility – justice – 22







years of the crime in Štrpci" in front of the entrance to the Belgrade train station. Let us remind you: on February 27<sup>th</sup> 1993 at 15:48, from the train number 671 direction Belgrade-Bar, in the Štrpci station, at 230 km distance from Belgrade, members of the armed formation "Osvetnici" of the Army of Republic of Srpska kidnapped and killed 19 passengers of non-Serbian nationality (18 Muslims and one Croat). Along with the protest in black and in silence, Women in Black performed a stage action "Truth-responsibility-justice" with participation of 35 activists.



**February 27<sup>th</sup>, Prijepolje:** In front of the memory stone in Prijepolje, the 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the crime in Štrpci was commemorated. Ac-

tivists of the Association for Social Research and Communication/UDIK from Sarajevo, of Association of citizens Women's Voice of Priboj from Priboj and of Bona Fide from Pljevlja, all as part of the Network of the Women in Black, organized a commemoration for the victims of the crime in Štrpci.

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>, Belgrade – "Why":** Activists of Women in Black, together with the mothers from Srebrenica, Zvornik (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Vukovar (Croatia) and Bela Reka (Serbia) on April 23rd joined families, colleagues and friends of 16 RTS employees who were killed on April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1999 at 02:06 in the NATO attack. By the monument "Why?" in Belgrade Tašmajdan Park, Women in Black laid a wreath with the inscription "We Remember".

*March 8th, Belgrade: "Decent work and not hunger"* street march on the occasion of International Women's Day, this street action was attended by about 200 people from all over Serbia. Street march was organized by the Reconstruction Women's Fund in cooperation with Women in Black. After the street march an interactive exhibition *"Solidarity - internationalism - continuity"* was organized at the Centre for Cultural Decontamination.

During this period we have also actively participated in a number of street actions organized by similar collectives, from wich we will state:

**April 19<sup>th</sup>, Belgrade: First lesbian march on the Balkans**, organized exclusively for women. It gathered around a hundred women, including Roma women from Nis and Novi Becej, activist feminist groups from Belgrade (including the WIB), activists from France Lesbian Network that were walking along the streets of Belgrade for the first time exclusively for lesbian rights and visibility of lesbians in society. Street march was organized on the last day of *Lesbian spring* (16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> April) at the premises of an alternative collective "Warehouse" in Belgrade.

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# FACING THE PAST TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE - A FEMINIST APPROACH

This is one of Women in Black's most important activities. This activity has many segments: street actions, workshops, lectures, creating various models of transitional justice from a feminist perspective, cooperation with similar organizations in form of mutual actions (campaigns, consultative meetings).

# WOMEN'S SOLIDARITY FOR THE PUNISHMENT OF WAR CRIMES

**Women's Solidarity for the punishment of war crimes:** These acts of women's solidarity (mutual support, exchanges and cooperation in the region), aim at creation of models of transitional justice from the feminist perspective, and contribute to building just and sustainable peace.

During this period we have organized visits, meeting with war survivors from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Serbia:

*February 11<sup>th</sup>, Potočari/Srebrenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina:* Solidarity visit and meeting of WIB activists from Belgrade with the mothers of Srebrenica in the Memorial Centre Potočari.

*March 2<sup>nd</sup>, Potočari/Srebrenica:* Solidarity visit of WIB activists from Belgrade – support to the potential witnesses for the Women's Court: feminist approach to justice.

*March 13<sup>th</sup>, Bela Reka (near Šabac, Serbia):* Solidarity visit of WIB activists to Rosa Jakovljević, mother of the guardsman killed in Topčider (October 5th 2004). Rosa Jakovljević is one of the witnesses on the Women's Court, so this visit was organized as part of the preparations for the Women's Court – feminist approach to justice.

**April 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, Belgrade:** Meeting of women's solidarity "Solidary Mothers for Peace", participated by mothers from Srebrenica (Nura Mustafić and Refija Hadibulić), from Vukovar (Jelena Baketa and Milka Budimir), from Bela Reka near Šabac (Rosa Jakovljević), from Đulići near Zvornik (Suvada Selimović), from Belgrade (Žanka Stojanović). Mothers from the named places in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Serbia are victims of war and postwar crimes, and they turned their tragedy and pain into a common fight for peace and justice. One of the goals of this meeting is solidary support and expressing empathy with Žanka Stojanović by participating in commemoration for the 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the murder of Žanka's son Nebojša Stojanović, who was killed together







with his 15 colleagues on April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1999 in the bombing of RTS. This meeting in organization of the Women in Black from Belgrade consisted of several segments, and we name the following ones:

April 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>: meeting with WIB activists and activists of peace action "Peace bicycling" (as part of commemorating the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the genocide in Srebrenica). This meeting was attended by 22 persons: along with the guests (6), participants were activists from: the Alliance of Antifascists, the Women's Peace Group Pančevo, WIB activists. Women from Srebrenica, Vukovar, Đulići and Bela Reka talked about their tragic (war and postwar) experiences, about seeking for the missing family members, about the significance of their ties with the WIB. Activists of the "Peace bicycling" presented the plan for the action for this year to all the present, they spoke of the significance of the action, etc.

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>:** commemorations at 02:06 and at 14:06 in front of the RTS, and together with the mothers there were a dozen of WIB activists. The event was very important on emotional-moral level, but also on the political one.







**War Crime Trials Monitoring at the Special Court:** monitoring of the trials held at the Special Court - before the War Crimes Chamber in Belgrade. In this reporting period, we monitored the following trial:

# Trial for the war crime in the village Sotin/Croatia

The war crime against civilian population – killing of 16 citizens of Croatian nationality in the village Sotin from October to December 1991. For this crime, five members of Serbian armed formations are indicted.

In this reporting period, ten (10) court hearings of this trial were held:

February: 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> March: 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> June: 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>

The above mentioned hearings monitored Milos Urosevic and reported to organizations within Women in Black Network as well as the international networks with whom we cooperate with.





# ARTISTIC ENGAGEMENT IN CONFRONTING THE PAST /TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE

In this period, the practice of joint work and cooperation with art collective, professional theaters and artists was continued on the artistic expression of resistance to war, war crimes, repression and human rights abuses. Besides the above mentioned art-activist initiatives, primarily in the section "Street actions", in this period there ware organized several working meetings related to the design and implementation of activist and artistic actions with artistic collectives: Multimedia Centre Led Art/Art Clinic, Act Women, Škart and Dah Theater on joint activities in that period. Working meetings were held in Belgrade, Novi Sad, and Sarajevo.

In this reporting period, we have organized numerous artistic activist events in connection with the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Srebrenica genocide:

**Women's Court - Feminist Approach to Justice** - artistic and activist designing of the final event of WC (Sarajevo, 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> May 2015): the joint work of artists, the witness, the organizers/activists took place through a series of activities:

**Andrevlje, 20-21-22<sup>th</sup> of March**: on the regional meeting of potential witnesses, the artists (Dah Theater, Act Women) held the workshop - a joint development of stage action with the witness, artists, organizers of WC, as well as workshops on public speaking for witness on the WC.



**Artist- activist event planning:** Within the collective work of artists, witnesses, organizers / activists there were held a dozen joint working meetings in Belgrade (in the Women in Black and Dah Theater) during April and early May, while the joint preparatory meetings of art collectives and the organizers were held in Sarajevo on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> April, from 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> May art collectives from Belgrade and Novi Sad (MMC Art clinic / Led art), the Group for video activism of Women in Black, Skart from Belgrade, Act women and Dah Theater were installing the exhibitions, all artistic artifacts in Bosnian Cultural Center in Sarajevo, and also organized a multitude of interactive performances, street events, etc. Artistic activist design of WC finals has been in line with feminist participatory, horizontal approach, taking into account the proposals and suggestions of the witness, activists, organizers of WC. The artistic contribution to the closing event o fWC has been assessed as extremely important event.







# VIDEO ACTIVISM: TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE - FEMINIST APPROACH

With the aim of greater visibility of various transitional justice models, especially the one from feminist approach, promoted by Women in Black, during 2010, a group of video activists was organized trained for recording, montage, digitalization, posting of audio and video materials on internet, which were gathered during regular activities of Women in Black, so they would be available as short movies for wider audience. Maria Vidic and Goran Lazin are the coordinators of this group, in cooperation with Maria Arandjelovic, Zinaida Marjanovic, and other Women in Black activists. In this reporting period the group have finalized eleven (**11**) video documentaries:

- **Truth justice responsibility Štrpci 2015** (3.21 min.) short film shows the protest and the performance organized by the Women in Black on February 27<sup>th</sup> 2015 in front of the train station in Belgrade, on occasion of 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the crime in Štrpci.
- **Solidarity is our strength** (6.25 min.): Video made of animated photographs, showing activities of Women in Black concerning the help to the suffering people under the floods.
- **Dignified work, not famine (5:47 min)** Film about the street march on the occasion of the International Women's Day. Author of this film is Maria Aranđelović.
- **Biljana Kovačević Vučo "She left a trace within us"** (28:45 min): Documentary film, tribute on occasion of the fifth anniversary of the death of Biljana Kovačević Vučo (1052-2010), antiwar activist, lawyer, founder of YUCOM (Lawyer's Committee for Human Rights), WIB activist.

**Other activities related to dealing with the past/**transitional justice - discussions, debates, workshops, film screenings:

**Srebrenica – 20 years of genocide – We remember**: we organized a lot of activities (debates, film screenings, discussions, theater performances...):

- 11<sup>th</sup> February Potocari/Srebrenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina: working meeting of activists of the Network of Women in Black and activists of UDIK (Association for Social Research and Communications in Sarajevo), in conjunction with a common marking the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the genocide in Srebrenica. In Potocari we visited Memorial center and we met with the women of Srebrenica.
- *Belgrade, March 11<sup>th</sup>: "Shiver of the rose"* a play by Dah Teatar deals with the missing people on territory of ex-Yugosla-

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via as well as in the entire world. After the play, Women in Black and Dah Teatar organized a discussion "On confronting the past from feminist perspective" in Dah Teatar; this event was participated by about fifty (**50**) persons.

• Sarajevo, March 11<sup>th</sup>: "We know – we remember – we accuse – we demand" – a round table in the City Council of the City of Sarajevo, in the Oval Office, participated by young people from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia. The round table was participated by 19 young persons from various activist groups from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia.



• March 14<sup>th</sup>, Belgrade: a working meeting of 17 activists of Women in Black Network (Beograd, Bajina Basta, Novi Sad, Vlasotince, Leskovac, Kraljevo, Krusevac, Nis) in connection with the common organization of the action "Peace cycling Belgrade - Srebrenica 2015."

**"We know-we remember-we demand"** – screenings of documentary films about Srebrenica and discussions in organization of groups within the Network of the Women in Black in the period from the end of March to the end of June 2015. (Leskovac, Kruševac, Belgrade, Vlasotince). In this reported period WiB organized:

- Krusevac, April 9th: organized by Alternative centre for girls, 25 participants, mostly young people;
- Krusevac, April 17th: organized by feminist group 'Peščanik/Sandglass'; 20 participants;
- Leskovac, April 6th: organized by feminist group 'Žene za mir/Women for peace'; 10 participants.

# WOMEN'S COURT FEMINIST APPROACH TO JUSTICE

We are giving you a short report on Women in Black activities regarding organization of Women's Court – feminist approach to justice, for the stated period. This report is mainly related to activities in Serbia, as well as joint activities of partner organizations. Activities carried out in other countries of the former Yugoslavia are presented if Women in Black, as carriers of program activities, gained information from other members of the Organizing Board of the Women's Court.

If you need additional information, you can find them on websites **www.zeneucrnom.org** and **www.zenskisud.org** or write to us on email address **zeneucrnombeograd@gmail.com** and office@zeneucrnom.org.

We thank you with solidarity in advance.

At the end of 2010, the members of the Initiative Board (IB): *Women to Women*, Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina), *the Center for Women and Peace Education Anima*, Kotor (Montenegro), *the Center for Women's Studies* and the *Center for Women War Victims*, Zagreb (Croatia), *Women's Network Kosovo*, Kosovo, *and Women's Studies* and *Women in black*, Belgrade, launched an initiative to organize the Women's Court for the former Yugoslavia. IB now has 11 organizations from all countries of the former Yugoslavia. At a meeting, organized in early February 2013, the Initiative Board has evolved into the Women's Court Organizing Board (OB).

Women in Black are the leading organization, regarding the implementation of the activities related to the organization of the Women's Court; they negotiate and coordinate all activities with other organizations, OB members.

In the period covered by this report, the following activities were conducted:

# I regular working meetings

In the office of Women in Black in Belgrade; In this reporting period, the meetings of coordinating team took place every Thursday. Women in Black, as leaders of program activities in organizing the Women's Court, negotiated and coordinated all activities with organizations that makes up the Organizing Committee. Because of the process of ap-





proaching the finals of the Women's Court (Sarajevo, May 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015) working meetings of small working groups were held daily. On the meetings: sharing information about the preparations, analyzing the results of performed activities, defining and agreeing on future activities, etc.

# II Work-Consultative Meetings

In accordance with the Feminist Code of organizing the Women's Court, in which we committed to the divisibility of knowledge, and creating common thinking processes, these meetings are part of that democratic process. We use them to jointly analyze the results of implemented activities, and define the next steps in the process of creating and understanding justice from a feminist perspective.

In accordance with feminist ethics of organizing process for Women's Court, beside joint working consultative meetings, we have initiated various types of work at the level of states: regular and operational working meetings, workshops, meetings of legal team, focus discussion groups, discussion circles, and so on.

**Joint work-Consultative Meetings:** These meetings were held among partner organizations of the WoC's Organizational Board/OB, as well as other civil society organizations which take part in the process of organizing the Women's Court. In this reporting period we organized following activities:

 January 8<sup>th</sup>, Belgrade – Dasa Duhacek and Stasa Zajovic, members of the Women's Court Organizational board/WC OB, participated in the meeting; the topic of discussion were the coming meetings (the agenda and meeting dynamic) of the WC OB in Zagreb, January 16 – 17, 2015, the expert meeting in Radmilovac (near Belgrade), February 13 – 15, 2015, and the regional meeting of potential witnesses planned for March 20 – 22, in Andrevlje (Serbia).



- January 11<sup>th</sup>, Zagreb Nela Pamukovic and Stasa Zajovic, members of the WC OB and Marijana Senjak, therapist for potential witnesses in the Women's Court, participated in the working meeting. The meeting was organized in order to reach an agreement about the agenda and content of the meetings of members of the WC OB in Zagreb, the expert meeting in February 2015, the suggested list of potential witnesses for the Regional meeting in Andrevlje in March 2015, the meetings with potential witnesses in their countries, before organizing the Regional meeting in Andrevlje (psychological support) and finally, preparing the texts of testimonies of potential witnesses.
- January 16 and 17, Zagreb The following representatives from: Bosnia and Herzegovina (Jadranka Milicevic from the Cure Foundation and Munira Subasic from the Movement of Mothers of Srebrenica and Zepa Enclaves), Croatia (Nela Pamukovic from the Center for Women War Victims, Rada Boric from Women's studies and Marijana Senjak, therapist), Kosovo (Vjollca Krasniqi from the Women's Network of Kosovo), Macedonia (Savka Todorovska, Council for Gender Equality) and Serbia (Dasa Duhacek from Women's Studies and Stasa Zajovic from the Women in Black) participated in the working meeting of the Women's Court Organizational board, held in the offices of Women's studies in Zagreb. The two-day working meeting numerous questions were posed, and agreements were made regarding the activities in the following period.



#### There were two working sessions:

- The general report on activities held in the previous period: prepared by Stasa Zajovic, was presented in the first session. Then the other participants spoke about the activities in each country and about the context in which preparations are progressing (difficulties regarding the preparation of potential witnesses, fears, lack of trust, and different working rhythm among the countries, difficulties regarding the financing of the final event).
- 2. The central issue being addressed during the second session was the participation of witnesses, more precisely their *"selection"*, based on the types of violence that they are testifying about and the level of their readiness, preparedness, and how representative is their testimony (how it reflects the experiences of a wider circle of women in the region), as well as the inclusion of new potential witnesses, the forming of the so-called Witness Group for Support (women who had testified once or several times in the process so far, but their experiences were greatly 'covered' by testimonies from the list of 'chosen' witnesses), about the Draft of the Program for Women's Court, the final list of experts dealing with various types of violence, the International Court Council and the International Advisory Council, the structure of the final event of the Women's Court, the regional meeting of potential witnesses (Andrevlje, March 13<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup>) and finally, the financial construction of the final event.

January 23<sup>rd</sup>, Zagreb – Members of the WC OB, Nela Pamukovic, Rada Boric, and Stasa Zajovic participated in the working meeting, as well as the therapist Marijana Senjak; the participants reviewed and amended Report from the working meeting of the WC OB (January 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>), prepared by Stasa Zajovic.



*February 8th, Belgrade* – Ljupka Kovacevic and Stasa Zajovic, members of the WC OB, participated in the meeting; the topic of discus-

sion was the process of organizing the Women's Court, further work with witnesses in Montenegro and Serbia, the meeting of experts and artists in Radmilovac near Belgrade (February 13<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup>, 2015), the working agenda of the re-

gional meeting of potential witnesses in Andrevlje, March 2015).

**February 14**<sup>th</sup> – **15**<sup>th</sup>, **Radmilovac** – Experts and artists participated in the meeting; after working together, working meetings of the WC OB members were held, numerous questions were addressed (working with witnesses, media strategy, preparatory material for the International Court Council, etc.).

*March 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, Andrevlje* – The regional meeting was dedicated to working with potential witnesses; members of the WC OB and artists took part in the meeting; afterwards working meetings of WC OB members and artists were held and numerous activities were agreed to be organized until the final event in Sarajevo (support for witnesses and plan for preparatory meetings in each of the countries, regional meetings with witnesses, therapists and organizers, artist-activist event planning, participants in the events and logistical preparations.

**The working meeting of experts, artists, members of the WC OB** – Numerous meetings were held in April in Belgrade and Sarajevo before and during the final event of WC.

# III Feminist Ethics of Care – Supporting Potential Witnesses

Several working meetings were held as part of the support and maintaining communication with women who participated in the process of organizing the Women's Court, as well as with newly included witnesses about various forms of violence:





1. Individual and group discussions with potential witnesses for the Women's Court:

• January 26<sup>th</sup>, Zagreb – Nela Pamukovic, Rada Boric and Stasa Zajovic, members of the WC OB and the potential witness from Croatia participated in the working meeting; the goal of the meeting was to offer psychological support and specific legal aid to the potential witness for serious forms of discrimination that she was being exposed to (ethnic, economic, gender); then the working meeting of witnesses and members of the WC OB with Milorad Pupovac, the president of the Serbian National Council and delegate of the Croatian Parliament was held, where certain legal steps were determined in order to solve this problem.



- 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>th</sup> February Niksic /Bijelo Polje /Pljevlja visiting the potential witnesses for the Women's Court. These witness took part in this visit (Zaga Matović, Maja Jovović, Anka Vukićević, Sabina Talović, Rosanda Peković).
- **February 27**<sup>th</sup>, **Belgrade** The meeting of potential Roma witnesses with Stasa Zajovic, member of the WC OB; the Roma women testified about multiple crimes, increased vulnerability after catastrophic floods, institutional discrimination, complete lack of care of the state, abuse of humanitarian aid, etc.; they expressed the desire to testify before the Women's Court, but also their fears regarding that, so they appointed an activist from the Roma Women's Network as a delegate to present their collective experiences before the Women's Court.
- *March 2<sup>nd</sup>, Potocari/Srebrenica* The meeting between Stasa Zajovic, member of the WC OB and two potential witnesses women who had survived the genocide in Srebrenica; the transcript of the discussions individual interviews with them were then worked through in the Women in Black, and they were included in the process and participated in the regional meeting of potential witnesses in Andrevlje.
- 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> March, Tivat/Montenegro working meeting with the witness from Montenegro. The aim of the meeting was to prepare the witness's testimony and text for Women's Court in Sarajevo.
- *April 11th, Belgrade, Serbia* A working meeting was held in the Women in Black office, where 12 women participated, of which nine (9) potential witnesses to the County Court for Serbia in the final event in Sarajevo (7th-10th May 2015) and 3 women from the organizing process. In the first part of the meeting, the work on the texts of testimony was continued: clarify any ambiguity and imprecision, preparation for the exhibition and oral testimony in Sarajevo. Since the number of witness was limited, it was decided to reduce the number of testimonies concerning the same period, the same type of violence which overlap each other. Also, the degree of participation of each witness considered with the entire process of preparing, of subjective readiness, etc. During a joint analysis it was decided that the following women will testify in Sarajevo and in the following sessions:
  - *Militaristic violence and resistance of women* Marija Kovačev (Novi Bečej), Mirjana Mijailović (Leskovac), Lidija Radičević (Kraljevo), Nadežda Kostić (Kruševac)
  - Persecution of different in war and peace the ethnic/racial violence Binasa Džigal (Priboj na Limu) and Vera Kurtić (Nis)
  - (Non)declared war against women economic violence Vesna Djordjevic (Zrenjanin)

The witnesses spoke about the need of support until the event in Sarajevo (7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> May 2015.) so we agreed on mutual visits, and joint work. During the discussion about the artistic content of activist events in Sarajevo, women confirmed the proposals of the concept of the event: participatory character, visibility resistance of women, street peace actions...





In the second part of the working meeting we discussed the expectations of the finals of WC in Sarajevo:

- On the institutional and legal level it is related to new forms of criminality, i.e. collective political and moral responsibility of state institutions for crime, injustice, violence,
- On a personal level expectations are related to restorative justice
- On the activist plan most women are committed to strengthening women's peace movement; expansion of the network of solidarity witness to WC, etc.

About future joint activities after this stage of WC - feminist approach to justice, the participants put forward a multitude of suggestions: organizing joint meeting of the witness after events in Sarajevo; Women's testimony book - a book published about the event in Sarajevo, to nurture further alternative women's history; continued mutual learning - with the participation of people from the academic, activist community from different countries, thus maintaining the internationalist character of the work so far, especially educational activities, etc.

#### 2. Regional meeting of potential witnesses:

- March 20th, 21st and 22nd, Andrevlje 51 women potential witnesses from 28 cities from Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Macedonia, and Serbia participated in the meeting. The central part of the meeting was dedicated to the preparation of witnesses for the final event of the Women's Court in Sarajevo, which included: working on the texts of the testimonies (each of the potential witnesses was given her own revised testimonies with amendments, so each of them individually worked on the text), the simulation of the Women's Court (oral presentations of texts by 32 women in front of the audience), following/monitoring of testimonies (participants were asked to write down their observations about the clarity of the testimonies and how they reflect the experiences of other women), **discussion about the testimonies** (public appearance), impressions of the witnesses themselves about their testimonies (how satisfied they were about their testimonies/public appearance).
- April 13<sup>th</sup>, Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina): held in the office of the Association of Mothers of Srebrenica and Zepa enclaves, it involved **18** women, of which ten (10) witness





to the Women's Court from Bosnia and Herzegovina at the closing event in Sarajevo (7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> May 2015), the rest were members of OO WC from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Croatia. At this meeting feminist psychotherapist Mira Vilušić from Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina also participated.

In the first part of the meeting, the work was on the texts of testimony prepared for the advent of the oral testimonies in Sarajevo. During a joint analysis it was decided that the following women testify in Sarajevo and in the following sessions:

Session - The war against civilians - witness from the zone of Srebrenica - it has been agreed that witnesses from Srebrenica (testify about the crimes before genocide, during the genocide and injustices after the genocide) appear in the following order:





- 1. Šehida Abdurahmanović
- 2. Zumra Šehomerović
- 3. Reiha Avdić
- 4. Nura Mustafić
- 5. Kadefa Rizvanović

Witnesses from the area of the Drina valley in eastern Bosnia:

- 1. Suvada Selimović, Đulići
- 2. Šaha Hrustić, Klisa
- Session War crime of rape:
  - 1. Zehra Murguz, Foča/Sarajevo
  - 2. Jasmina Karavdić, Sarajevo
  - 3. Edina Karić, Tuzla



Psychotherapists committed to continue therapeutic work (psychological and emotional support to witnesses) with the witness until after the finals of WC in Sarajevo.

Regarding expectations for the finals of WC, the participants put forward a number of proposals that can be summarized as: strengthening witness, strengthening the regional network of common witness and putting pressure on institutions.

According to the feminist approach (horizontal, participatory) the witnesses put forward a number of proposals in connection with the contents of the artistic contents for finals.

# IV working meetings of associates/experts of WC, artist, member of OO WC

This meeting was held in Radmilovac in Belgrade (13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> February) and it was attended by 17 people: 11 experts from Croatia, Bosnia, Kosovo, Serbia, while the others were artist and member of OO WC

Here are some of the most important segments of work:

- 1. About the current process of organizing WC- (film screenings, video clips of it);
- 2. Creating a new paradigm of knowledge defining the role of associates/experts of the Women's Court, ie. analysis of the broader social, economic, political and gender contexts in which the injustice and violence occur.
- **3.** Analysis of the testimonies of women working teams are made by the type of violence (war against civilians; different persecution in war and peace ethnic violence, sexual violence, militarism and economic violence). Methodology is determined, distribution of duties, communication.
- **4.** Legal experts presents of the members of the International panel of judges/IPJ identified the tasks, proposed making of Work rules, a draft of this document was made, later it was supplemented by the comments of the working team. The text of the Rules of WC we are sending in this report.
- 5. The artists and art collectives at the final event of WC in the discussion the next was agreed: a *democratic, horizontal approach*: the whole event will be artistically designed together with the witness.





**April - working meetings of art collectives:** in the framework of the joint operation ten working meetings were held in Belgrade (in the Women in Black offices and Dah Theater) during April and early May, while the joint preparatory meetings of art collectives and the organizers held in Sarajevo on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> April. Artistic activist final design of WC has been in line with feminist participatory, horizontal approach, taking into account the proposals and suggestions of the witness, activists, organizers of WC.

# Video activism

Documentaries produced by WIB's video activism group include films on access to justice, peace, and security. All screenings are followed by discussions about the film and the initiatives related to Women's Court – Feminist Approach to Justice.

In this period following movies were screened:

- Women's Court feminist approach to justice about the process of organizing the WC (9.02 min.) Adaptation of the existing video using information from 2015.
- Women's Court for artistic-activist conceiving of the closing event for the WC (10:52 min.) Video material produced for the workshop for conceiving actions, exhibitions, interior design of space and other joint elements of Women's Court.

# **Publications**

The following publications were arranged in this period:

- Women's Court A feminist approach to justice report from January December 2014, containing eight (8) chapters and 176 pages;
- **Preparatory material for the meeting of experts and artists** February 2015 in which testimonies of women were analyzed based on the types of violence. This material has 68 pages;
- Transcripts from meetings of experts and artists that have 38 pages;
- **Texts of testimonies** preparatory material for the regional meeting of potential witnesses, held in Andrevlje in March 2015, which have 61 pages.
- Transcripts from meetings of potential witnesses, Andrevlje, 23 pages
- Preparatory material of WC in Sarajevo (press releases, the rules of WC, program, media info package leaflets, etc.; on BHS, Albanian language, and English language)

In addition, from all the meetings reports are made and sent to participants, numerous pamphlets were made, leaflets etc. All the above material was prepared by the working teams of Women in Black.







# NETWORKS, COALITIONS MUTUAL SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY

Women in Black initiated or were actively involved in numerous regional networks, coalitions and alliances, an active participant in the activities of organizations in order to strengthen mutual support, solidarity, civil society and democracy in Serbia and the whole region.

During this period, numerous activities were realized among which some of the followings are:

# Meeting of the Network of Women in Black: 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> February Banja Vrujci (70 km from Belgrade)

The meeting was attended by seventy people (70) as follows: one (1) from Montenegro, two (2) from the Croatian, eight (8) from Bosnia and Herzegovina, three (3) from Italy and fifty-six (56) people from seventeen (17) cities in Serbia

# Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>

# Together we are building a network of feminism, solidarity, peace with justice ...

Introduction and presentation of all the participants, while those activists who were first at a meeting of our network, we ask them to give us a short presentation of the activities of organizations, initiatives from which they come ...

In pictures and words - on the activities of the Network of Women in Black Serbia in the previous period (of the meeting of the Network from September 2014); people who reported/talked: Goran Lazin, Marija Perković, Staša Zajović, Miloš Urošević, Snežana Tabački, Violeta Đikanović, Ljiljana Radovanović.



After dinner, the film **Courageous Heart of Irena Sendler** (95 min) was screened, *directed by John Kent Harrison*. The film follows the life story of a Catholic social worker Irena Sendler, who during the Holocaust, from the Warsaw ghetto, saved 2,500 children. After the screening, the discussion was organized.

# Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>

The challenges and traps of humanitarian aid - Exchange of experiences of women from the flooded areas and activists

# Part I - Screening of short documentary films (12 min.)

- Women in Black and refugees (4.49 min.) A documentary prepared from materials from the film "Frauen in Schwarz" (Women in Black), directed by Zoran Solomon and Helga Reidemeister, the film shows part of the activities of Women in Black in refugee camps in,90;
- **Solidarity is our strength** (7 min.) About actions of solidarity, support and help from Women in Black and Reconstruction Women's Fund in the areas affected by the floods.









# Part II - I testify - the experience of women vulnerable by flooding - workshop

#### Part III: State Responsibility - Report from the field

(Integral testimony and the report from the panel discussion that Women in Black staged in the Serbian and Bosnian languages are available on the website in the report of the meeting of the Network)

#### Joint reflection activities of Women in Black in the coming period

Working groups that have worked in parallel:

**Group I: What I give to WIB? What WIB gives me?** On politics relations and politics of Women in Blac: coordinated by Ljiljana Radovanovic and Svetlana Saric

**Group II: Towards 8<sup>th</sup> March - artistic and activist workshops** - coordinated by Snežana Tabački; Vesna Bujošević, Marija Perković, Vesna Đorđević, Milica Lupšor...

**Group III: We will never forget the genocide in Srebrenica:** to the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of genocide in Srebrenica - coordinate by Staša Zajović, Vladimir Jevtić, Edvin Čudić, Ljupka Kovačević, Dijana Milošević, Lina Vušković



Group IV: Feminism and veganism - coordinated by Ana Zorbić and Vera Kurtić, Women's Space, Nis

#### After that there was the presentation of the group work

Within a **Discussion corner - where/how to proceed ?** d joint reflection of important social issues and the current situation in Serbia, the region and the world was continueed.

About the situation in Italy these people have spoke: Đanino dal Bosco (Giannina Dal Bosco), Analysis Komuci (Annalisa Comuzzi) and Marianita de Ambrođo (Marianita de Ambrogio). About the situation in Croatia Lino Veljak was speaking.

*Sanije Halili* and other activist of Albanian nationality talked about the tense situation in the Presevo (southern Serbia) and activists from Serbia spoke about the political, socio-economic situation in Serbia.

# Activist art - selection of documentaries from Group for video activism of Women in Black, coordinated by Goran Lazin and Marija Vidic

The last day was discussion about the activities in the coming period.

In this reporting period, numerous meetings of working groups on the issues raised in the Women in Black Network were held (Women's Court-feminist approach to justice, 20 years since the genocide in Srebrenica - We remember, video activism, artistic engagement in confronting the past ...) what was discussed in the previous sections of this report.







Actions of solidarity - with members of vulnerable and disenfranchised minority communities (social class, ethnic-racial, sexual), whose human rights (employment, education, cultural), is threatened.

**Solidarity with asylum seekers in Serbia:** continued solidarity action against racist attacks which culminated at the end of 2013 and from then until now Women in Black organized a multitude of activities, which you can find information on the website of Women in Black.

**Solidarity aid to asylum seekers**: *it covers the whole range of activities: solidarity aid to asylum seekers every* Saturday *in Belgrade (mainly in the park at the Faculty of Economics and around bus and train stations), solidarity for asylum seekers in Subotica and Bogovadja, street action in Belgrade, Budapest, debates, working meetings.* The activists of Women in Black have participated in these actions, listed chronologically:

• On 23 January, Subotica, Old Brickyard: solidarity visit asylum seekers in Subotica, in a visit on behalf of the Women in Black were Ljiljana Radovanovic and Violeta Djikanovic, activists of the Centre for Asylum Seekers from Belgrade, Tibor Varga *"Humanitarian Organization of East-European missions"*. In addition to the distribution of

humanitarian aid with the above mentioned organizations, forms of working together were agreed.

• March 6, Subotica, Old Brickyard: solidarity visit during which he divided into humanitarian aid; and we also held talks with asylum seekers, mainly from Afghanistan. In this visit were in the name of Women in Black Violeta Djikanovic and Stasa Zajovic and also was with us and Tibor Varga from Subotica. He collects and delivers supplies for asylum seekers on the daily basis - bread, water, clothing, helps asylum seekers in communication and in cases of need organizes medical aid, etc.



• March 7, Centre for asylum seekers Bogovađa: activists from Women in Black visited the center. Asylum center in Bogovadja open in mid-2011. Before that, the center was housing for refugees from BiH and Croatia and currently reside in it asylum seekers from North Africa and the Middle East. On the same day there was held the promotion of the documentary film "Destination Srbistan", directed by Želimir Žilnik. This famous engaged director collaborated on the film "Destination Srbistan". The film last for 100 minutes, it was filmed in 2014 at locations in Subotica, Sjenica, Tutin, Bogovadja Banja Koviljaca, Belgrade and Novi Sad. This documentary drama is showing solidarity with asylum seekers threatened by the floods in Serbia and of course, the problems that asylum seekers face every day. Screening of the film was attended by representatives of the Commissariat for Refugees and Migration of the Republic of Serbia, the Ministry of Internal Affairs, NGOs (Women in Black, Astra and 484), asylum seekers and local residents.

(Women in Black continued actions of solidarity with asylum seekers, as well as with people from flooded areas in Serbia and an integral report of January 2015 can be found at WIB)





# Solidarity is our strength - help for people from the flooded areas in Serbia

Floods that happened in the state of Serbia in May 2014, carried off by a lot victims, caused enormous material damage, etc; in line with our concept of feminist ethics of care, Women in Black have tried, within the modest possibilities, to reduce the consequences of the catastrophic floods in May 2014, providing assistance several times to threatened/ affected groups/ families/ persons ( to refugees from Kosovo, Roma families and single parents).

In accordance with our ethical principles of humanitarian assistance, we operate in the following manner:

**Direct intervention on the field** - solidarity assistance, tour the flooded areas, support those in need; From May 2014 to now, we have organized together with the Reconstruction Women's Fund solidarity visits:

- Vidikovac/Belgrade, 31<sup>th</sup> January: Visit to the informal Roma settlement in Vidikovac in connection with the repair of a house which was build at the end of December in that settlement.
- Smederevska Palanka / Mladenovac / Marinkova bara, 12-14. February: transportation of secondhand

furniture for those affected by floods that was a donation by EEAS in Belgrade. The furniture is shipped to two families in S. Palanka (beds, wardrobes, chests of drawers, desks for children, a library, chairs, garden table ...), two families in Mladenovac and two families in Marinkova bara.

- **Mladenovac, February 21<sup>th</sup>:** Help to the two Roma families (repairs with the help of an electrician).
- Mladenovac /Marinkova bara, 19<sup>th</sup> March: Help to the Roma family (repairs in order to purchase windows to Milica Djordjevic and helping her getting her documents. After Mladenovac, activists went to Marinkova bara and there, they also gave away one window and door for a family of four.



(In all these solidarity actions these people took part: Women in Black Violeta Djikanovic and activist from Roma Center Daje Nada Đuričković with the financial support of Reconstruction Women's Fund from Belgrade and the international organizations).

Activist empowerment to women's from the flooded areas - turning in various forms of activities of Women in Black; This allows these women that in addition to meeting basic needs, maintain the dignity and control over their lives; we met plenty of women who refuse to be reduced to the victims and fight for dignity and control over their own lives. In this period, we organized the following actions:

Recreational-activist event, Banja Vrujici, February 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>: on this meeting of women's solidarity, there were 24 women affected by catastrophic floods and other natural disasters from Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina. There were also activists of women's groups that offered solidarity assistance to flooded areas. The meeting was devoted to active rest and recreation, relaxation, mutual support, exchange of experiences, joint consideration of humanitarian aid (7<sup>th</sup> February). All participants took part in the meeting of Women in Black, which was held at the same place from the afternoon of February 6<sup>th</sup> to February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

In the framework of this meeting an exchange of experiences on the following issues were organized:

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• The testimony of women threatened by the floods: Witnesses from Serbia are mostly Roma from Roma settlements, women who normally live in extreme poverty, this natural disaster has further deepened their already difficult economic situation. From Serbia there were also testimonies of poor women from the majority population, women from ethnically mixed families, as well as farmer woman who is because of the torrents of rain lost a



great part of her crops. From Bosnia and Herzegovina there were also women who are - victims of war violence, and now hit by the May and October's natural disasters (floods, landslides, mudslides ...). Woman witnessed the complete unpreparedness and lack of responsibility of the state - the state has failed in both Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina, the only help was provided by neighbors also threatened by floods, numerous actions of self-organization of people in both Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina were launched, especially in the beginning, but this solidarity assistance very quickly abated or completely disappeared, and the only continuous,



organized solidarity support and direct assistance were provided only by feminist groups, especially Women in Black and Reconstruction Women's Fund, etc.

• State Responsibility - field report: during the exchange of the experiences of women from flooded areas and activists (organizations for human rights, peace, women's rights) warned us that "in the case of the Roma population, the government has shown extreme negligence and racism, leaving them without the assistance and compensation for damages; State institutions are discriminated against families without their own home - the list for the allocation of aid and compensation wiped the subtenant's families; humanitarian aid were not provided to those whom it was intended, i.e. affected by floods - women testified about numerous manipulations, misuse, including theft of humanitarian aid ", etc. They also agreed to common forms of solidarity and support to help people in flooded areas.

(The full text of the testimonies of woman as well as all the debate can be found at WIB website)

#### The feminist ethic of care - support potential witnesses to the Women's Court /WC- feminist approach to justice:

27<sup>th</sup> February, Belgrade: meeting of potential witnesses - Roma women who testified about the consequences of the catastrophic floods in Serbia (in 2014) as well as other forms of violence: ethnic /racial violence, violation of labor rights of women/ gender violence. They testified about the multiple forms of violence, increased vulnerability due to natural disasters, institutional discrimination, complete neglect of the state, abuse of humanitarian aid, etc. They expressed the need to testify in WC, but also their fears about it (from retaliation of state and family) so they decided that activists of the Roma Women's Network (Vera Kurtić, Women's Space, Nis) will presents their collective experience in the Women's Court in Sarajevo (May 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

• February 27<sup>th</sup>, Belgrade: Participation of potential witnesses o WC and the flooded areas in the street action on the occasion of 23<sup>th</sup> anniversary of crimes against Bosniak civilians in Strpce (27.02.1993.). The action was

organized by Women in Black, Humanitarian Law Fund, Youth Initiative for Human Rights.

- 8<sup>th</sup> March, Belgrade: the participation of women from flooded areas on a street march "Decent work and not hunger" on March 8<sup>th</sup> - International Women's Day.
- 20th, 21<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>th</sup> March Andrevlje: on the regional meeting of potential witnesses there were women involved who testified about the consequences of the catastrophic floods in Serbia.







**International Women's solidarity** - our solidarity action for women in flooded areas to help and support them, are our friends from feminist foundation *Filia* (Germany), an international network of Women in Black, primarily, Women in Black from Italy and Spain. They visited Serbia in February 2015.

# Solidarity with workers in the struggle for labor rights - against privatization theft

In addition to these activities in support of trade union activists, in this period we took part as solidarity and support for the work of the collectives and the following initiatives:

- 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>th</sup> of January, Belgrade: organized by the Autonomous Women's Center participation in the conference (Women in Black activists Marija Perkovic and Ljiljana Radovanovic) on 'tracking / monitoring of Chapter 19 social rights and employment.
- March 16<sup>th</sup>, Belgrade: newspaper "Republic" and Ucitelj neznalica I njegovi komiteti organized set of signatories appeals to the public to support the trade union leader Zdravko Deuric and struggle of the workers and small shareholders of Jugoremedija from Zrenjanin. They collected several thousand signatures to appeal 'Is there a shame is Serbia?' The public reaction to the shameful behavior of the authorities against trade union leaders and Z. Deuric and Jugoremedija; on behalf of the Women in Black activists Ljiljana R. and Stasa Z participated.

# An anti-fascist solidarity

Women in Black have in the past participated in these street actions, debates and marking important antifascist dates together with related organizations:

**The rehabilitation of Draza Mihailovic**: The Chetnik commander, associate of Nazi forces in World War II, a war criminal convicted for crimes against humanity in 1946. The rehabilitation initiated descendants of D. Mihailovic and rightwing organizations. The process was launched in 2006 and the first hearing was held on 2010. At the request of the requested court to annul the judgment of 15 July 1946, in which D. Mihailovic was sentenced to death by firing squad and also to request the return of civil of rights D. Mihailovic. Women in Black and similar organizations are monitoring the process from the beginning and are opposed to the rehabilitation of annulling the anti-fascist struggle of the Serbian and other Yugoslav nations, it insults the victims of wars in '90s since then mass crimes are a continuation of the Chetnik ideology and practices of World War II.

During this period, Women in Black followed the following dates of hearing: 27th February, 3th March and 28th of April.

Working meetings with the Association of anti-fascists of Serbia - agreements on joint activities.

# Discussion circles, lectures, debates in the Women in Black

The practice of regular discussion circles, lectures and joint reflection on important social and political issues in the country and the world, continued in the reporting period, which was organized nine (9) teaching and debate in which participated **207** persons:

 4<sup>th</sup> February "Left wing and nationalism": a debate in which they participated as speakers: Aleksandar Kraus (Association of anti-fascists of Serbia), Dragomir Olujic-Oluja (social activist), Goran Babic (journalist and writer), Magda Anastasijevic (student of sociology), Olivera Milosavljevic (historian) and moderated by Lino Veljak. In this debate there were **31** people present.





- February 18<sup>th</sup> "Powerlessness of obvious" Mirjana Miočinović: Books of engaged essays by this theatrologist was published on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Center for Cultural Decontamination / CZKD; discussion led by Mansura-Lula Mikielj, peace activist and an interview was conducted among 16 activists.
- 25<sup>th</sup> February "Belgrade-Pristina-Brussels, with reference to the Trepca and the exodus of the Albanian population from Kosovo" the keynote speaker of the debate was Dusan Janjic of the Forum for Ethnic Relations, a political analyst and it was moderated by Snezana Tabački; in this debate, there were 24 persons.
- March 4<sup>th</sup> **"Soft revolution":** presentation of the Families of clear streams, the first ecological, libertarian, artistic-activist commune (1977) in the region; conversation with the starter of commune Bozidar Mandic and it was moderated by Staša Zajovic, and the meeting was attended by **15** people.
- March 18<sup>th</sup> "The genesis and importance of eco-feminism": lecture held by Sonja Prodanovic, MA in (UCL) Environmental Studies, an architect, an antiwar activist of Women in Black; it was attended by 14 people.
- 25<sup>th</sup> March "Loftiness": promotion of the book of philosophical essays and represented by the authors: Alpar Lošonc, Faculty of Philosophy, Novi Sad and Vladimir Gvozden, Faculty of Philosophy, Novi Sad and moderated by Lino Veljak; the meeting was attended by 22 people.
- 8<sup>th</sup> April "Permanently past time caricatures 1990-2001": author Predrag Koraksić Koraks. Interview with author and Dusan Velickovic, the publisher, moderated by Dragan Jovanovic and was attended by 25 people.
- April 15<sup>th</sup>, "Inside": projection of film lasting 92 minutes, directed by Jelena Markovic – later there was a conversation with the author of the film and it involved 21 people.
- 22<sup>th</sup> April, a peace meeting: mothers from Srebrenica, Zvornik, Vukovar, Bela Reka and Belgrade with Women in Black activists and peace activists action *"Peace cycling Belgrade Srebrenica 2015"*; In this meeting participated 22 people.
- 29<sup>th</sup> April "Monument to Michael Jacksons": screening of the film (95 min.) Directed by Darko Lingulova. Interview conducted by Ivana Kronja and Dragan Jovanovic, there was 17 persons.

# Mutual support and solidarity

In this period we have also participated in many international conferences, civil society initiatives organized by related groups; here it is chronological mention those in which we have actively participated (lecturers, panelists ...):

- 29<sup>th</sup> January, Belgrade 'Dossier Rudnica': the Fund for Humanitarian Law (of the crimes against the Albanian population in Kosovo in 1999) dossier was presented in the Media Center on behalf of the Women in Black it was attended by Milos Urosevic.
- January 29<sup>th</sup>: Presentation of Škart founded by Dragan against Prota and Đorđe Balmazović Žole held a lecture 'horkeŠTA? the 'architecture of human relations. Škart was created in 1990. It is artistic-activist collective which with'continuing constructive conflict examines and crosses the border forms of poetry, architecture, graphic design, publishing, performance, music, alternative education and social activism.' Škart' continuously cooperate with Women in Black since the founding of Women in Black (1991).









- February 5<sup>th</sup>: "Three Views on the fight against discrimination', the conference organization of Human Rights in the Media Center, on behalf of the Women in Black attended by Ljiljana Radovanovic.
- February 12<sup>th</sup> " Release the Media ": Debate in the Media Centre, organized by BIRN (Balkan Investigative Reporting Network) about the repression of the media in Serbia; participated activists of Women in Black (Stasa Z. and Ljiljana R.)
- February 16<sup>th</sup>, Tirana, Albania: Global study on the implementation of Resolution 1325 Consultation within the civil society in the Balkans; on behalf of the Women in Black participated by Snezana Tabački.
- **19-20. February Ruma:** Consultative meeting NAP 1325 achievements and challenges in implementing'; this working meeting was organized by Women in Black activists participated by three Women in Black (Ljiljana R. Stasa Z. and Violeta Đ.)
- **3<sup>rd</sup> of March: The Holocaust in Bosnia and Herzegovina**: book by author Eli Tauber was presented at the Human Rights attended by Milos Urosevic.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> of March: meeting in the WIB with the participants of the International feminist caravan from France.
- March 16<sup>th</sup>: The Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights to the Council Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights; the meeting on behalf of SE were present: Nils Muižnieks, the Commissioner for Human Rights, Nađa Skenderović, representative in Serbia, Erliha Bičakčić, advisor to Commissioner. On behalf of the Women in Black participated by Stasa Zajovic and Zorica Trifunovic.
- March 20<sup>th</sup>, Novi Sad in the Radio Cafe in public session organized by the "Atheists of Serbia" on the position of women in today's society, with special emphasis on the abuse of women by the SPC, misogyny, feminist responses ... in the name of Women in Black activists Nada Dabic from Novi Sad participated.
- March 23<sup>th</sup>: The crimes tribunal: Central Bosnia the documentary organized by the Office of the Hague Tribunal in Belgrade was held in the Art Cinema, Ethnographic Museum and on the behalf of the Women in Black Milos U. attended
- 6<sup>th</sup> of April: Meeting with Swanee Hunt, a professor at the Eleanor Roosevelt Lecturer in Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School in the US Embassy in Belgrade; meeting referred to Resolution 1325 on behalf of the Women in Black Stasa Z and Zorica T. participated.
- April 17<sup>th</sup>: Model Law on Civilian Victims of human rights violations in armed conflicts and in connection with armed conflicts in the period from 1991 to 2001; conference was organized by the Humanitarian Law and it was held in the Media Center, it was attended by Milos U.
- **18<sup>th</sup> April:** "*She left a trace within us*"- a tribute to Biljana Kovacevic Vuco, a lawyer, human rights defender (1952-2010) in the Center for Cultural Decontamination organized by Women in Black and the Center for Cultural Decontamination.
- **19<sup>th</sup> April Subotica** debate on reproductive rights 'Right of women to abortion' organized by the association 'Secular circle' in the name of Women in Black Nada Dabic was attending

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