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## PETITION

**20 YEARS UN RESOLUTION 1325 “WOMEN, PEACE, SECURITY”:  
AFGHANISTAN’S WOMEN MUST PLAY A SIGNIFICANT ROLE  
WITHIN THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE TALIBAN!**

Your Excellency,

On October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2000 the United Nations Security Council unanimously adopted **Resolution 1325 “Women, Peace, Security”**. It underscores the important role of women in the prevention and resolution of conflicts and calls for their equal participation in peacebuilding.

In August 2019 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan launched the **Second National Action Plan (NAP) on Resolution 1325**. The former acting Foreign Minister H. E. S. Rabbani emphasized the protection of women's rights and the rights of all citizens during peace talks with the Taliban. Currently the **peace talks are in progress**, under your guidance. **There are four women members among 21**. In the sense of Resolution 1325 and Afghanistan’s Second NAP on it **I urge you to ensure:**

- 1** ... that the four women receive special **protection also outside** the negotiation venues,
- 2** ... that your delegation **carefully listens** to what the four women add to the discussion, to what they have to say and meaningfully involve them in decisions and discussions,
- 3** ... that your whole delegation advocates women’s rights, especially in order to
  - **guarantee** the constitutional rights of Afghan women to continue seeking **education and contribute in professional life,**
  - take measures to **end violence against women and** the culture of **impunity** for perpetrators.

Yours sincerely,

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