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Means of Achieving these Goals

"Unity is Strength". These Goals can be achieved by united effort of every Oromo Women. If Oromo women united, there will be strong Organization. If there is strong Organization, there will be Power, if there will be power Oromo Women's voice will be heard, if women's voice heard, women's questions get answer. If women's questions get answer, there will be peace in the household, in the community, with neighborhood and every place. Therefore, strong Oromo Women's Organization is the core of the solution to the overall Oromo people's as well as to the Oromo women's problem.

Appeal

1. The Oromo women's emancipation and the achievement of gender equality are inseparable from the overall realization of the Oromo nation's natural right. Therefore, any genuinely concerned about human dignity and liberty should support the Oromo Women to be organized and stand for the overall achievement of peace, democracy and economic development of the nation.

2. Any Oromo Women in Diaspora invited to actively participate in International Oromo Women's Organization for self-reliance.
3. IOWO appreciate the generosity of the International Community concerned about human dignity and liberty

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INTERNATIONAL OROMO WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION (IOWO)

The International Oromo Women's Organization (IOWO) is a non-profit, non-governmental organization established to organize Oromo women in Diaspora and unit them to struggle against all forms of oppression, marginalization and gender discrimination.

Mission

The mission of International Oromo Women's organization is to promote gender equality and the development of women as an integral part of the political, economic, social and cultural sphere.

About The Oromo People

The Oromo people have been suffering from inhuman treatment and injustice under alien rule for over a century. The Oromo women being part of the Oromo society have suffered injustices including oppressions relating to their gender, which have deep cultural root in traditional society.

The human right abuse perpetrated against the Oromo people in general has been exacerbated in recent times

(thousands where imprisoned for many years without trial, many were killed on peaceful demonstrations, many were kidnapped, many were tortured in legal and illegal prisons, children are dismissed from schools, civil societies were fired from jobs) because of their political views. Due to persecution and loss of political, economic, social and cultural rights in Ethiopia, the number of the Oromo displaced inside Oromia and Oromo refugees in Africa, Europe, North America & elsewhere has been on the rise.

Women and children make the majority of the Oromo Refugees.

Therefore, it is urgent that the Oromo Women get organized to improve their status and become self-reliant.

Because of the urgent needs of Oromo women to get organized on Diaspora, International Oromo Women's Organization is established in June 2007, in Washington DC, United States of America and Registered.

Purpose

- ✓ To encourage Oromo women struggle for equal rights and against all forms of gender discrimination
- ✓ To educate the Oromo Women in Diaspora about the need to preserve their heritage, develop their language,

social and cultural resources and strength their tie with their country Oromia.

- ✓ To assist Oromo refugees in Africa financially, morally, socially and in immigration and resettlement process.
- ✓ To encourage Oromo Women to participate in the overall Oromo people's struggle for the recovery of their homeland, Oromia

Goal

The primary goal of the International Oromo Women's Organization is to empower Oromo women and socially engaged them not only in the improvement of one-self but also that of all Oromo women everywhere. It is necessary to mobilize resources, ability and knowledge to emancipate Oromo Women from all forms of oppression, marginalization and discrimination.