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### **ROME DECLARATION**

*The lawyers of the IFWLC, gathered in Rome from October 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013 to discuss the theme of “Empowerment of women. Decision-making and participation of women in conflict resolution,” confirm:*

- 1. That all the countries represented have adopted laws that protect women’s rights and guarantee gender equality; however, the application of these laws is inadequate. It is necessary to find better means of achieving a more effective application of these laws;*
- 2. The participation of women in decision-making, particularly in times of crisis, is essential;*
- 3. That education is essential to raising awareness about the need to achieve equality between men and women;*
- 4. That in order to assure that women can better reconcile work and family life, policies of financial assistance should be promoted;*
- 5. That the crises we are currently facing are not only economic and social in nature, but also ethical and moral;*
- 6. That the empowerment of women contributes to the productive, economic and moral development of the different countries;*

*Therefore, women do not have to renounce their role or their femininity.*

*The Federation will continue working with women in their road towards empowerment.*