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61. AWAW Chair participating in GSX Security meeting in London - April 2017

62. AWAW chair participating in Stockholm forum May 2017
63. AWAW participating in 1325 workshop in Washington DC convened by USIP in May 2017


65. In Ottawa with Our Secure Future and Nobel Women’s Initiative June 2017

1. Three-day exchange visit to Kilinochchi – 24th, 25th & 26th April 2017
2. Three-day exchange visit to Mannar – 25th, 26th & 27th May 2017

3. Three-day exchange visit to Nuwaraeliya – 7th, 8th & 9th July 2017
67. One day seminar to launch the report was held on 19-08-2017 at Riverdale hotel, Kandy
68. AWAW Chair in Scotland attending 1325 Fellowship with Beyond Borders Scotland August 2017

69. At the 2017 ASEAN conference on peace and the prevention of violent extremism at Manila, Philippines

71. 6th ICAN forum- 10th November in Morocco

72. With Global Unites - “the inclusion of women in peace building”

73. University of San Diego: Stronger Together – Women Waging Peace- 6th December
74. Regional Seminar on Increasing Women in Peacekeeping was held from 8th to 10th March 2018 at the Hilton Hotel Colombo, Sri Lanka, as a follow up to the side event held in New York at the UN Head Quarters on 31st October 2017 jointly organized by the Canadian and Sri Lankan Permanent missions together with AWAW and ICAN.

75. Strengthening Good Governance and Democracy – Women Taking Leadership- With the purpose to strengthen democracy and good governance in Sri Lanka by increasing women’s political participation, AWAW groomed 75 women (‘SMART 75’) coming from all areas, ethnicities, religions and most importantly different political parties.

1. Workshops to ascertain potential candidates to be trained as women leaders/politicians.
2. A three-day workshop with a fast track English course, IT training and team building activities for the ascertained candidates.

3. A three-day residential workshop to prepare the course content and updating of the existing Manual.
4. three-day residential workshops to enhance women on Political Participation & Leadership.

5. one-day facilitated dialogues with parliament and provincial level members
6. One day National Level conference to distribute certificates.

76. The Road to Reconciliation - AWAW designed a project which envisaged a two-pronged approach in complimenting the task undertaken by the Government of Sri Lanka on the reconciliation process in the country.

Take the message of the importance of transitional justice mechanisms in order to move forward to the grass roots though women and civil society leaders.

Use media, both mainstream and social, to take the message to a wider public.
77. Anniversary Celebrations of UNSCR 1325 - On the 31st October 2018, the Association of War Affected Women (AWAW), sponsored by USAID Global Communities, held the 18th Anniversary Celebrations of UNSCR 1325 in Kandy, Sri Lanka.
78. Women’s Peace Table - On the 10th of November 2018 AWAW, sponsored by Peace Women Across The Globe PWAG, held the National Peace Table at Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall, Colombo, Sri Lanka. The key purpose of the event was to highlight the importance of inclusion of women at a time where Sri Lanka seeks to enhance its engagement with the international community and heal the wounds of the past.
79. Sri Lanka Women Peace Study Program in Nepal AWAW conducted a study tour in Nepal from the 22nd to 27th of November to learn from Nepal’s experience on Reconciliation with the generous support of N-Peace of UNDP. - The key goal of the study program was to Secure women’s inclusion in all Reconciliation Mechanisms of Sri Lanka by way of lessons learned from the region.

81. At Women, Peace and Security Week held in New York on the week 22nd - 28th October 2018.

82. 7th ICAN Annual Forum “Locally Rooted, Globally Connected: Harnessing the Collective Power of Women’s Leadership in Preventing Violent Extremism and Promoting Sustainable Peace” which was co-hosted by AWAW on the 12th of November 2018.