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MONACO STATEMENT “WOMEN IN POLITICS”

The member Countries of the European Centre of the International Council of Women (ECICW – CECIF), a pan-European umbrella organization working within the framework of the International Council of Women (ICW – CIF), with participative Status at the Council of Europe, met in Monaco between 17 – 20th October 2013, to consider issues of concern to women across Europe.

A major Seminar on the subject of “Women in Politics” was organized with the participation of Her Royal Highness, Princess Caroline, Princess of Hanover, Parliamentarians and delegates from member Councils. Reports have been presented on the percentage of women MP members and other elected or appointed women all over Europe.

The General Assembly of ECICW expressed concern and disappointment that so little had been achieved, regarding representation of women in Politics, National Assemblies and other decision making bodies at all levels.

The hopes and expectations aroused during the Millennium period, when it was confidently expected that Governments would take action to facilitate wider representation of the female members of society in governing bodies, have not been realized.

ECICW calls upon all European Governments:

- 1) to extend their efforts towards increased representation of women in all coming elections in their countries
and
- 2) to ensure the full representation of women in Government and all decision making bodies.

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President of ECICW – CECIF

ECICW– CECIF is the regional Centre of the International Council of Women.

The International Council of Women is the oldest international women’s organization founded in 1888, with members worldwide.

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