

# Radical Women

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Dear colleagues in the fight for reproductive rights,

I am writing on behalf of Radical Women, a long-lived feminist organization with chapters in the U.S. and Australia. We work on many fronts, standing at the intersection of women's rights, LGBTQI liberation, racial justice, working-class activism, radical social change, and international solidarity with women and anti-war movements.

One of the most urgent and well-documented issues of our times is the war and genocide in Gaza. And as always in instances of social upheaval, it is women who are bearing the brunt of violence, rape, hunger, and denial of essential health needs.

Center for Reproductive Rights has an international scope. Your work on protecting sexual and reproductive health and rights in regions of humanitarian crisis is very important. So we in Radical Women were surprised when it was brought to our attention that CRR has not addressed the humanitarian crisis in Gaza. Palestinian Feminist Collective has made a detailed study of the atrocities and denial of health services affecting women in Gaza (<https://predatorystate.org/>). The National Mobilization for Reproductive Justice, which Radical Women initiated, had an educational program on reproductive justice and Israel's war on Gaza nearly three years ago (<https://youtu.be/dt4pslEwRNg>). There is plenty of well-documented information that warrants the attention of CRR.

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We urge CRR to exercise your strong public support and expertise on issues of global health to speak out in opposition to the horrific ongoing campaign against some of the world's most vulnerable people. The lack of action and courage by major U.S. feminist organizations brings discredit to feminists everywhere.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Helen Gilbert". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Helen" and last name "Gilbert" clearly distinguishable.

Helen Gilbert  
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