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letter of solidarity from the womens association Courage r.a. to the women of "United Women's Alliance" in Nepal

Dear friends, dear sisters in Nepal,

we – the women from the womens association "Courage" in Germany – are following the dreadful news about the consequences of the heavy earthquake of april, 25th with great anticipation.

We send our greatings of solidarity and in the face of by now more then 6000 dead persons our heartfelt sympathy. In the face of hundreds of thousands hurt and homeless people which are isolated from clean water, food supply and medical help we assure you from deep of the heart to support you.

Please tell us how our womens association can help you specifically and in which way our help will reach you.

We know from many natural disasters of this kind that the poorest of the poor people are the ones to be hit hardest and among them again children and women. If an earthquake happens they are the ones to have to live in bad built houses. Yet news about a twoclass-rescue are reaching us through the press. For example the well known alpinists Messner and Habeler are outraged about european tourists being flown out by helicopters while there is nearly no helicopter for rescue at the most affected region of Kathmandu. We too know that geologists forcasted the earhquake quite a while.

We are involved together to make preparations for the second World Womens Conference of basis women 2016 in Kathmandu. Anyway, we actively support the fundraising which is proposed through the european coordinators of the world womens conference of basis women for basic emergency assistance in your country.

For our part we will make an effort as womens association to make the question of worldwide catastrophies like this and effective protection- and aid programs an important issue there. We won't put up with a hundred times higher risk for children in Nepal to die within an earthquake than e.g. in the as well by earthquakes endangered Japan.

We are convinced that the womens movement will take a big part to change the unjustly circumstances all over the world!

Greatings of solidarity from all women of Courage in Germany.

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