Press Release

International Association of Women Police Position on Human Rights of Women Officers

The International Association of Women Police (I.A.W.P.) is clear that women working within policing should be treated with dignity and respect.

We have, and will continue to work with police organizations to promote gender and broader diversity awareness to ensure such organizations are a safe place for women to work, and that they are representative of the communities they serve thereby being an attractive career choice for women.

Our message is clear, if governments cannot safeguard women in policing, how can they expect to safeguard women in the community?

Our vision envisions a world where police reflect the diversity of the communities they serve and where human rights are protected. Our mission is to strengthen and raise the capacity of women in policing internationally and we are guided by values that urge every member to embrace diversity, to be open, honest, and fair, to listen to others, to operate professionally, and to improve through change.

IAWP President Margaret Shorter – “The guiding values of IAWP lead with embracing diversity and being open, honest and fair. For us this means inclusivity and also standing behind what we believe”.

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