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The first G7 ministerial meeting of the French G7 presidency took place last weekend in Dinard. Setting the tone for the French presidency's ambition to truly implement a feminist diplomacy, this ministerial meeting was highly anticipated by the feminist NGOs and associations of the Women 7 (W7) coalition, which represent civil society at the G7. The Women 7 regrets that the G7 leaders did not take concrete commitments, even though it favourably welcomes the emphasis that has been placed on women's and girls' rights.

At the foreign affairs ministerial meeting, the G7 States pledged to adopt a roadmap to support and respond to the needs of survivors of sexual violence in conflict. Moreover, they announced their support to the new fund created by the Nobel Peace Prizes Denis Mukwege and Nadia Murad.

“The Women 7 favourably welcomes these deliverables, which show the priority given to the rights of women and girls in the G7. This issue should be at the core of the G7 countries' foreign policy and must be further translated into concrete actions. The G7 countries must all commit themselves to renew their Action Plans on Women, Peace and Security and to secure their funding. All initiatives led by France, such as the Sahel Alliance, must not ignore these fundamental issues anymore”,

Elaine Lasson, Advocacy Officer for the NGO Humanity Diaspo.

“Commitments in principle are not sufficient to fight against inequality of opportunity et against gender inequalities around the world. We are expecting concrete and financial commitments on women's and girls' rights from the next ministerial meetings and from the Biarritz Summit”,

Sophie Chassot, Advocacy Officer on the rights of women and girls for the NGO Care France.

The Women 7, as a G7 engagement group, reminds the French presidency that the expertise and legitimacy of civil society are fundamental levers to design and implement public policies that efficiently fight against inequalities. For this reason, feminist associations and organisations must be part of the decision-making bodies to ensure that G7 states are ambitious and apply truly feminist policies and diplomacy.



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