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**Minutes of the Meeting  
Women Action Forum  
April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007 at Shirkat Ga**

**Agenda**

- To organize a protest rally against Talibanization and Religious Extremism

**Decisions**

- Lahore Protest rally will be held on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at Lahore High Court at 3 pm.
- A press release will be issued condemning the recent Islamabad incident manifesting talibanisation and extremism.
- WAF members will mobilize NGO's communities, political activist, MNA, teachers, trade unionist and many more representing all walks of life to participate in the protest rally.
- Few additions in the press release will be made such reference of Quaid's speech of August 11<sup>th</sup>, 1947 quoting "You many belong to any religion or caste or creed that has nothing to do with the business of the state" and recent incident as breach of the constitution The final copy of statement depicting WAF's position will be circulated in the protest rally.
- Next meeting will be conducted on Monday April 9<sup>th</sup>, at Shirkat Ga at 5 pm.

**Following responsibilities were taken by the members**

- A committee was formed comprising Farida, Nilofer and Sadaf to come up with some interesting ideas to stage a protest demonstration. They will meet on Saturday April 7<sup>th</sup> at Jugnoo's place at 4.30 pm. Address is: 30 C FCC Maratab Ali Road Gulberg IV Lahore
- Jugnoo will get the invitation of the protest rally printed in the Daily Times, The News, Dawn, and Jang free of cost.
- Gulnar and Lala will participate in the JAC meeting as WAF Representatives to be held on April 3 at 4.00.
- Bunny will get the statement of WAF's position printed in 1000 English and 2000 Urdu copies
- In addition to having participation from Women Helpline, paralegal, Shirkat ga, Simorgh, Asar, Aurat Foundation, Women Desk Church of Pakistan and Sahi, members will mobilize the following in order to have a mass protest rally.
- Naheed Saeed, Popti and Noni will talk to politicians, MNA'S and constituents.
- Masson, Popti and Neelum will get in touch with universities, colleges and schools.
- Ayra will talk to YWCA and Caritas.
- Cheene and Jugnoo will contact theatre workers and fashion world respectively.
- Farzana will talk to Teacher's Federation and Nurses.
- Nasira will talk to lawyers.
- To invite the participation of Radio Station, Gulnar, Naheed Saeed and Sadaf will contact channels 103, 89 and 91 respectively.

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