

**A Selected List of Congressional Hearings and Testimony on Women's Rights  
in US Foreign Policy, 1993-2016**

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# **A Compendium of Congressional Hearings and Testimony on Women's Rights in US Foreign Policy**

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## **Introduction**

This document comprises what we believe to be the most comprehensive listing available of Congressional hearings and testimonies on the subject of Women's Rights in US Foreign Policy from the beginning of the first Clinton administration through the end of 2013 (the last updates were made in October 2016).

We have taken a broad view of the subject and included hearings and testimonies that may not be directly related to US foreign policy but which do focus on women's rights in a domestic or general context. However, we have *not* included hearings and testimonies in which women's rights were simply mentioned in the context of another issue. In other words, a hearing was only included if women's rights or issues were the central topic focus of the hearing or testimony.

The primary source that we employed to find hearings and testimony was [ProQuest Congressional](#). We employed the following search terms: “‘women’ OR ‘female’ OR ‘gender,’” and we searched in “all fields except full text.” Hearings that had no witnesses were not included.

In the following pages, I include a direct link to the hearing transcript or testimony when it is available. Some of the transcripts can only be found on *ProQuest Congressional*, in which case a subscription is required to access them. Note however, that many materials from Congressional Committees are available through the [Library of Congress](#).

Although we made every attempt to assemble a comprehensive list, some hearings or testimonies may have been mistakenly excluded or overlooked. Please contact

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## 1993

### **09/28-29/93, 10/20/93, 03/22/94: Human Rights Abuses Against Women; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on International Security, International Organizations, and Human Rights**

- Patricia Schroeder - Rep, D-Colo; Co-Chair, Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues
  - Olympia Snowe - Rep, R-Maine; Co-Chair, Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues
  - Dick Swett - Rep, D-NH
  - Dorothy Thomas - Director, Women's Rights Project, Human Rights Watch
  - Nahid Toubia - Associate, Women's Reproductive Health, Population Council
  - Donna Sullivan - Director, Women in the Law Project, International Human Rights Law Group
  - John Shattuck - Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs, Department of State
  - Richard McCall - Chief of Staff, AID
  - Lynn Woolsey - Rep, D-Calif
  - Geraldine Ferraro - Former Representative, New York
  - Kathryn Porter - Director, Gender and Social Policy, Conservation International
  - Joseph Kennedy - Rep, D-Mass
  - John Shattuck - Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs, Department of State
  - Dorothy Thomas - Director, Women's Rights Project, Human Rights Watch
  - Kenneth Klothen - Acting Executive Director, Defense for Children International-USA
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## 1994

### **09/27/94: Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations**

- Jamison Borek - Deputy Legal Adviser, Department of State
  - Jonathan Band - Attorney, representing B'nai B'rith Women
  - Cecilia Royals - President, National Institute of Womanhood
  - Robert Drinan - Law Professor, Georgetown University; representing ABA
  - Gay McDougall - Executive Director, International Human Rights Law Group
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## 1995

### **07/18/95, 08/02/95: United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women; Before House Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights**

- Nancy Pelosi - Rep, D-Calif

- Nina Shea - President, Puebla Institute
- Carl Anderson - Commissioner, Commission on Civil Rights
- Louisa Coan - China Country Coordinator, Amnesty International USA
- John Ackerly - Director, International Campaign for Tibet
- Margie Walden - Executive Director, Taiwan International Alliance
- Laurel Heiskell - Legislative Coordinator, Concerned Women for America (CWA)
- Mercedes Wilson - President, Family of the Americas
- Mary Bork - Board Member, Catholic Campaign for America
- Barbara Ledeen - Executive Director, Policy and Liaison, Independent Women's Forum
- Diane Knippers - President, Institute on Religion and Democracy; representing Ecumenical Coalition on Women and Society
- Jeanne Head - UN Representative, International Right to Life Federation
- Cecilia Royals - President, National Institute of Womanhood
- Madeleine Albright - U.S. Ambassador to the UN
- Victor Marrero - U.S. Representative, UN Economic and Social Council
- Melinda Kimble - Deputy Assistant Secretary, Global Issues, Bureau of International Organization Affairs, Department of State

**1996**

**06/04/96: United Nations World Conferences; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations**

- Christopher Smith - Rep, R-NJ
- Timothy Wirth - Under Secretary, Global Affairs, Department of State
- Penny Nance - Director, Legislation and Public Policy, Concerned Women for America; on behalf of Beverly Lahaye - President, Concerned Women for America
- Christine Vollmer - President, Latin American Alliance for the Family
- Suzanne Kindervatter - Director, Commission on the Advancement of Women, Interaction/American Council for Voluntary International Action

**07/16/96: New International Threat of "Date-Rape Drug" Trafficking; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere and Peace Corps Affairs**

- Gerald Solomon - Rep, R-NY
- Terrance Woodworth - Deputy Director, Office of Diversion Control, DEA
- Maria Herrera - Supervisory Special Agent, Office of Strategic Problem Solving, Customs Service
- Lisa Celestin - Victim of Rohypnol
- Joy Diliello - Victim of Rohypnol)
- Daniel Redding - Friend of victim
- David Robshaw - Detective Sergeant, Sheriff's Office, Broward County, Fla

- Robert Armstrong - Vice President, Medical Affairs, Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc
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## 1998

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### **06/10/98: Forced Abortion and Sterilization in China: The View from the Inside; Before House Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights**

- Nicole Hess - Representing Laogai Research Foundation
  - Xiao Duan Gao - Former Administrator, Planned Birth Control Office, PRC
  - Shiu Yon Zhou - Coercive population control victim
  - Harry Hongda Wu - Executive Director, Laogai Research Foundation
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## 1999

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### **06/28/99: Sex Trade: Trafficking of Women and Children in Europe and the U.S.; Before Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe**

- Anita Botti - Deputy Director, International Women's Initiatives, President's Interagency Council on Women
  - Steven Galster - Executive Director, Global Survival Network
  - Louise Shelley - Director, Center for the Study of Transnational Crime and Corruption, American University
  - Laura Lederer - Director, Protection Project
  - Wendy Young - D.C. Liaison and Staff Attorney, Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children
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### **09/14/99: Trafficking of Women and Children in the International Sex Trade; Before House Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights**

#### [Hearing Transcript](#)

- Harold Koh - Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor
  - Theresa Loar - Director, President's Interagency Council on Women, United States Department of State
  - Laura Lederer - Research Director and Project Manager, the Protection Project, Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government
  - Gary Haugen - President and Chief Executive Officer, International Justice Mission
  - Anita Sharma Bhattarai - Trafficking Survivor, Nepal
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2000

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**02/22/00: International Trafficking in Women and Children; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Frank Loy - Undersecretary for Global Affairs, U.S. Department of State (accompanied by Teresa Loar - Director, the President's Interagency Council on Women; Harold Koh - Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor; Wendy Chamberlin - Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State)
  - Inez – Trafficking Survivor from Mexico
  - Ruchira Gupta – Journalist & Documentary Film Maker
  - Gary Haugen – Director, International Justice Mission
  - Laura Lederer – Director, the Protection Project, the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University
  - Regan Ralph – Human Rights Watch
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**04/04/00: International Trafficking in Women and Children; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- William Yeomans - Chief of Staff, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice
  - John Ashcroft - U.S. Senator (MO)
  - Luran Bethell - Director, New Life Center, Chiang Mai, Thailand
  - Virginia Coto - Director, Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center
  - Natalia Khodyreva - President, Angel Coalition, St. Petersburg, Russia
  - Laura Lederer - Director, the Protection Project, the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University
  - Paul Wellstone - U.S. Senator (MN)
  - Maria - Trafficking Survivor from Mexico
  - Marsha - Trafficking Survivor from Russia
  - Olga - Trafficking Survivor from Ukraine
  - Rosa - Trafficking Survivor from Mexico
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**05/03/00: International Efforts To End Discrimination Against Women; Before House Committee on International Relations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Carolyn Maloney - Rep, D-NY
  - Lynn Woolsey - Rep, D-Calif
  - Constance Morella - Rep, R-Md
  - Theresa Loar - Senior Coordinator, International Women's Issues, Department of State; also representing President's Interagency Council on Women
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## 2001

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### **07/19/01: Mexico City Policy: Effects of Restrictions on International Family Planning Funding; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations**

#### [Hearing Transcript](#)

- Harry Reid - Sen, D-Nev
  - Tim Hutchinson - Sen, R-Ark
  - Christopher Smith - Rep, R-NJ
  - Nita Lowey - Rep, D-NY
  - Alan Kreczko - Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State
  - Susana Galdos - President, Movimiento Manuela Ramos
  - Nicholas Eberstadt - Scholar, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research
  - Nirmal Bista - Director General, FamilyPlanning Association of Nepal
  - Maria Aguirre - Associate Professor, Department of Economics and Business, Catholic University
  - Daniel Pellegrom - President, Pathfinder International
  - Cathleen Cleaver - Director, Planning and Information for the Secretariat, Pro-Life Activities, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
  - Aryeh Neier - President, Open Society Institute
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### **11/29/01: Implementation of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act; Before House Committee on International Relations**

- Paula Dobriansky - Under Secretary, Global Affairs, Department of State
  - Ralph Boyd Jr. - Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights, Department of Justice
  - Wade Horn - Assistant Secretary, Children and Families, HHS
  - Janet Ballantyne - Acting Deputy Administrator, AID
  - Jessica Neuwirth - President, Equality Now
  - Gary Haugen - President and CEO, International Justice Mission
  - Maria - Trafficking victim from Mexico
  - Vi - Trafficking victim from Vietnam
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## 2002

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### **02/27/02: U.S. Funding for the U.N. Population Fund: The Effect on Women's Lives; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Terrorism**

#### [Hearing Transcript](#)

- Arthur Dewey - Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State
  - Phyllis Oakley - Former Assistant Secretary, Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State
  - Nicolaas Biegan - Former Ambassador of the Netherlands to NATO
  - Josephine Guy - Director, Government Affairs, America 21
  - Nicholas Eberstadt - Chair, Political Economy, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research
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**03/07/02: Monitoring and Combating Trafficking in Persons: How Are We Doing; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Paula Dobriansky - Under Secretary, Global Affairs, Department of State
  - Viet Dinh - Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice
  - Nancy Ely-Raphel - Director, Office To Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Nguyen Hanh - Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement, HHS
  - Carol Smolenski - Coordinator, EPCAT-USA
  - Ann Jordan - Director, Initiative Against Trafficking in Persons, International Human Rights Law Group
  - Hae Cho - Project Director, Coalition To Abolish Slavery and Trafficking
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**04/24/02: U.N. and the Sex Slave Trade in Bosnia: Isolated Case or Larger Problem in the U.N. System; Before House Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights**

- Nancy Ely-Raphel - Director, Office To Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Martina Vandenberg - Europe Researcher, Women's Rights Division, Human Rights Watch
  - Benjamin Johnston - Former employee, DynCorp
  - David Lamb - Former UN human rights investigator in Bosnia
  - Nomi Levenkron - Head, Legal Department, Hotline for Migrant Workers in Israel
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**05/13/02: Treaty Doc. 96-53; Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, Adopted by the U.N. General Assembly on Dec. 18, 1979, and Signed on Behalf of the United States of America on July 17, 1980; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations**

- Lynn Woolsey - Rep, D-Calif
- Jo Ann Davis - Rep, R-Va
- Juanita Millender-McDonald - Rep, D-Calif
- Constance Morella - Rep, R-Md

- Carolyn Maloney - Rep, D-NY
  - Jeane Kirkpatrick - Former U.S. Representative to UN
  - Harold Koh - Former Assistant Secretary, Human Rights, Department of State
  - Kathryn Balmforth - Former Director, World Family Policy Center, Brigham Young University
  - Juliette McLennan - Former U.S. Representative, UN Commission on the Status of Women
  - Christina Sommers - Resident Scholar, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research
  - Jane Smith - CEO, Business and Professional Women/USA
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**06/19/02: Foreign Government Complicity in Human Trafficking: A Review of the State Department's "2002 Trafficking in Persons Report;" Before Committee on International Relations**

- Paula Dobriansky - Under Secretary, Global Affairs, Department of State
  - Gary Haugen - President and CEO, International Justice Mission
  - Linda Smith - Founder and Executive Director, Shared Hope International
  - Manju Poudel - Director, Daywalka Foundation
  - Donna Hughes - Chair, Women's Studies, University of Rhode Island
  - Holly Burkhalter - Director, Advocacy, Physicians for Human Rights
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**09/23/02: Women's Rights and China's New Family Planning Law; Before Congressional-Executive Commission on China**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Ira Wolf - Staff Director, Congressional-Executive Commission on China
  - John Aird - Senior Research Specialist, China, Bureau of Census
  - Bonnie Glick - Former Member, U.S. Assessment Team to China, Department of State
  - Edwin Winckler - Research Associate, East Asian Institute, Columbia University
  - Susan Greenhalgh - Professor, Anthropology, University of California, Irvine
  - Stirling Scruggs - Director, Information and External Relations Division, United Nations Fund for Population Activities
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**2003**

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**02/24/03: Holding Up Half the Sky: Women's Rights in China's Changing Economy; Before Congressional-Executive Commission on China**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- John Foarde - Staff Director, Congressional-Executive Commission on China
- Margaret Woo - Professor, Northeastern University School of Law
- Rangita de Silva - Director, International Programs, Spangenberg Group

- Christina Gilmartin - Associate Professor, History, Northeastern University
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**04/09/03: Trafficking of Women and Children in East Asia and Beyond: A Review of U.S. Policy; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs**

[Testimony Transcripts](#)

- John Miller - Senior Advisor & Director, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, U.S. Department of State
  - Donna Hughes - Professor, Women's Studies Program, University of Rhode Island
  - Gary Haugen - President & CEO, International Justice Mission
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**06/25/03: Global Trends in Trafficking and the "Trafficking in Persons Report;" Before House Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Human Rights**

- John Miller - Director, Office To Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Nancy Murphy - Executive Director, Northwest Family Life Learning and Counseling Center
  - Lauran Bethell - Representing International Baptist Theological Seminary, European Baptist Federation
  - Holly Burkhalter - Director, U.S. Policy, Physicians for Human Rights
  - Mohamed Mattar - Co-Director, Protection Project, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University
  - Louise Shelley - Director, Transnational Crime and Corruption Center, American University
  - Gary Haugen - President and CEO, International Justice Mission
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**07/25/03: Alien Smuggling/Human Trafficking: Sending a Meaningful Message of Deterrence; Before Senate Committee on Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Corrections, and Victim's Rights**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Robert Harris - Deputy Chief, Border Patrol
  - Charles Demore - Interim Assistant Director, Investigations, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (BICE)
  - John Malcolm - Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice
  - Sharon Cohn - Senior Counsel and Director, Anti-Trafficking Operations, International Justice Mission
  - Jane Boyle - U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Texas
  - Paul Charlton - U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona
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**10/29/03: Ongoing Tragedy of International Slavery and Human Trafficking: An Overview; Before House Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- John Miller - Director, Office To Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Kent Hill - Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Europe and Eurasia, AID
  - Janice Raymond - Co-Executive Director, Coalition Against Trafficking in Women.
  - Andrew Johnson - UN Office Director, Save the Children
  - Sharon Cohn - Director, Anti-Trafficking Operations, International Justice Mission
  - Mohamed Mattar - Co-Director, Protection Project, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University
  - Kevin Bales - President, Free the Slaves
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**2004**

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**06/02/04: United States Policy in Afghanistan; Before House Committee on International Relations**

- William Taylor - Coordinator, Afghanistan, Department of State
  - Mary Long - Deputy Assistant Secretary, Counternarcotics, DOD
  - James Kunder - Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Asia and the Near East, AID
  - Charlotte Ponticelli - Senior Coordinator, Office of International Women's Issues, Department of State
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**06/24/04: Trafficking in Persons: A Global Review; Before House Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Human Rights**

- John Miller - Director, Office To Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Sharon Cohn - Vice President, Interventions, International Justice Mission
  - Holly Burkhalter - Director, U.S. Policy, Physicians for Human Rights
  - Michele Clark - Co-Director, Protection Project, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University
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**07/07/04: Examining U.S. Efforts To Combat Human Trafficking and Slavery; Before Senate Committee on Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Property Rights**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Johnny Sutton - U.S. Attorney, Western District of Texas, Department of Justice
- Michael Shelby - U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Texas, Department of Justice

- Sister Mary Ellen Dougherty - Manager, Outreach, Education, and Technical Assistance, Trafficking in Persons Program, Migration and Refugee Services, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
  - Joseph Mettimano - Child Protection Policy Advisor, World Vision U.S
  - Mohamed Mattar - Co-Director, Protection Project, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University
  - Charles Song - Staff Attorney, Coalition To Abolish Slavery and Trafficking
  - Wendy Patten - U.S. Advocacy Director, Human Rights Watch
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**07/08/04: Trafficking in Persons: The Federal Government's Approach To Eradicate This Worldwide Problem; Before House Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- John Miller - Director, Office To Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Alexander Acosta - Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice
  - Christopher Gersten - Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services
  - Michele Clark - Co-Director, Protection Project, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University
  - Charles Song - Staff Attorney, Coalition To Abolish Slavery and Trafficking
  - Derek Ellerman - Co-Executive Director, Polaris Project
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**07/13/04: Human Trafficking: Mail Order Bride Abuses; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Maria Cantwell - Sen, D-Wash
  - John Miller - Director, Office To Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Michele Clark - Co-Director, Protection Project, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University
  - Donna Hughes - Professor, Women's Studies Program, University of Rhode Island)
  - Suzanne Jackson - Associate Professor, Clinical Law, George Washington University Law School
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**2005**

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**03/09/05: Combating Human Trafficking: Achieving Zero Tolerance; Before House Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights, and International Operations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- John Miller - Director, Office To Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Beatrice Fernando - Associate, American Anti-Slavery Group
  - Linda Smith - Founder and Executive Director, Shared Hope International
  - Shirley Barnes - President, Barnes Findley Foundation
  - Sarah Mendelson - Senior Fellow, Russia and Eurasia Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies
  - Julianne Duncan - Assistant Director, Migration and Refugee Services, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
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**04/28/05: Combating Trafficking in Persons; Before House Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- John Miller - Director, Office To Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Norma Hotaling - Executive Director and Founder, SAGE Project
  - Tina Frundt - Street Outreach Specialist, Polaris Project
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**06/22/05: Combating Trafficking in Persons: An International Perspective; Before House Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Michael O'Connor Jr. - Director, South Asia Operations, International Justice Mission
  - Jessica Neuwirth - President, Equality Now
  - Dorchen Leidholdt - Co-Executive Director, Coalition Against Trafficking in Women; also representing Sanctuary for Families
  - Lisa Thompson - Liaison, Abolition of Sexual Trafficking, Salvation Army
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**07/19/05: Reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act; Before Senate Committee on Judiciary**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Diane Stuart - Director, Office on Violence Against Women, Department of Justice
  - Edmund Sexton - Sheriff, Tuscaloosa County, Ala.; representing National Sheriffs' Association
  - Lynn Rosenthal - Executive Director, National Network to End Domestic Violence
  - Mary Lou Leary - Executive Director, National Center for Victims of Crime
  - M. L. Carr - President and CEO, WARM2Kids; also representing Family Violence Prevention Fund
  - Salma Hayek - Actress, Avon Foundation
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**03/06/06: Combating Human Trafficking in China: Domestic and International Efforts; Before Congressional-Executive Commission on China**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Steven Law - Member, Congressional-Executive Commission on China; also representing DOL
  - Christopher Smith - Rep, R-NJ
  - John Miller - Ambassador-at-Large and Director, Office To Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Roger Plant - Head, Special Action Program To Combat Forced Labor, International Labor Organization
  - Wenchi Perkins - Director, Anti-Trafficking and Human Rights Program, Vital Voices Global Partnership
  - Abraham Lee - Director, Public Relations, Crossing Borders
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**05/04/06: Germany's World Cup Brothels: 40,000 Women and Children at Risk of Exploitation Through Trafficking; Before House Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights, and International Operations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Michael Horowitz - Senior Fellow, Hudson Institute
  - Ashley Garrett - Program Manager, Trafficking in Persons in North America and the Caribbean, International Organization for Migration
  - Jennifer Roemhildt - Founder and Executive Director, Nea Zoi, Lost Coin Association for the Support and Restoration of Individuals Involved in Prostitution
  - Katherine Chon - Co-Founder and Co-Executive Director, Polaris Project
  - Maureen Greenwood-Basken - Advocacy Director, Europe and Eurasia, Amnesty International
  - Juliette Engel - Director, MiraMed Institute; also representing Angel Coalition
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**06/14/06: Modern Day Slavery: Spotlight on the 2006 "Trafficking in Persons Report," Forced Labor, and Sex Trafficking at the World Cup; Before House Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights, and International Operations**

- Julia Ormond - Goodwill Ambassador, Abolition of Slavery and Human Trafficking, UN Office on Drugs and Crime
- John Miller - Director, Office to Combat Trafficking In Persons, Department of State
- Sharon Cohn - Vice President, Interventions, International Justice Mission
- Masha Gnezdilova - Human trafficking victim
- Irina Veselykh - Human trafficking victim
- Charles Kernaghan - Director, National Labor Committee



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**09/26/06: Enhancing the Global Fight To End Human Trafficking; Before House Committee on International Relations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Ricky Martin - Goodwill Ambassador, UNICEF; also representing Ricky Martin Foundation
- John Miller - Director, Office to Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
- Wade Horn - Assistant Secretary, Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services

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**2007**

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**02/15/07: Protecting the Human Rights of Comfort Women; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Michael Honda - Rep, D-Calif
- Yong Soo Lee - Former comfort woman; representing Korean Council for the Women Drafted for Military Sexual Slavery
- Jan O’Herne - Former comfort woman; representing Friends of Comfort Women in Australia
- Koon Kim - Former comfort woman; representing National Korean American Service and Education Consortium
- Mindy Kotler - Director, Asia Policy Point
- Ok Soh - President, Washington Coalition for Comfort Women Issues

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**03/15/07, 03/20/07: Crossing the Border: Immigrants in Detention and Victims of Trafficking, Part I and II; Before House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- John Torres - Director, Office of Detention and Removal Operations, ICE
- Richard Seiter - Executive Vice President and Chief Corrections Officer, Corrections Corp
- Michelle Brane - Director, Detention and Asylum Program, Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children
- Christina Fiflis - Member, Commission on Immigration, ABA
- Michael Cutler - Fellow, Center for Immigration Studies
- Gabriel Garcia - Program Manager, Human Smuggling and Trafficking Unit, Office of Investigations, ICE
- Derek Marsh - Co-Director, Orange County, Calif., Human Trafficking Task Force
- Ann Jordan - Program Director, Initiative Against Trafficking in Persons, Global Rights

- Victor Cerda - Former Acting Director, Office of Detention and Removal Operations, ICE
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**03/26/07: Legal Options To Stop Human Trafficking; Before Senate Committee on Judiciary, Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Grace Becker - Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Justice Dept.
  - Katherine Kaufka - Supervising Attorney, Counter-Trafficking Services Program, National Immigrant Justice Center
  - Martina Vandenberg - Attorney
  - Holly Burkhalter - Vice President, Government Relations, International Justice Mission
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**10/11/07: Human Trafficking; Before Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe**

- Charlotte Ponticelli - Under Secretary, Bureau of International Labor Affairs, DOL
  - Mark Lagon - Director, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Michael Feinberg - Acting Director, Office of International Affairs, Immigration and Customs Enforcement
  - Eva Biaudet - Special Representative and Coordinator, Combating Trafficking in Human Beings, OSCE
  - Roger Plant - Head, Special Action Programme to Combat Forced Labour, ILO
  - Kevin Bales - President, Free the Slaves
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**10/18/07: International Trafficking in Persons: Taking Action To Eliminate Modern Day Slavery; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Barbara Shailor - Director, International Department, AFL-CIO
  - Sharon Cohn - Senior Vice President, Justice Operations, International Justice Mission
  - Franklyn Casale - President, St. Thomas University
  - Zipora Mazengo - Trafficking survivor
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**10/31/07: Combating Modern Slavery: Reauthorization of Anti-Trafficking Programs; Before House Committee on Judiciary**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Katya - Human trafficking victim
- Laurence Rothenberg - Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice
- Marcy Forman - Director, Office of Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement
- Florrie Burke - Former Senior Director, International Programs, Safe Horizon

- Bradley Myles - National Program Director, Polaris Project
  - Amy Farrell - Associate Director, Institute on Race and Justice, Northeastern University
  - Anastasia Brown - Director, Refugee Programs, Migration and Refugee Services, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
  - Dorchen Leidholdt - Director, Center for Battered Women's Legal Services, Sanctuary for Families; also representing Coalition Against Trafficking in Women
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**10/31/07: Mexico City Policy/Global Gag Rule: Its Impact on Family Planning and Reproductive Health; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Nita Lowey - Rep, D-NY
  - Marilyn Musgrave - Rep, R-Colo
  - Duff Gillespie - Professor, Gates Institute for Population and Reproductive Health, School of Public Health, Johns Hopkins University
  - Ejike Oji - Country Director, Ipas Nigeria
  - Joana Nerquaye-Tetteh - Former Executive Director, Planned Parenthood Association of Ghana
  - Jean Kagia - Obstetrician and gynecologist
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**04/01/08: Rape as a Weapon of War: Accountability for Sexual Violence in Conflict; Before Senate Committee on Judiciary, Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Lisa Jackson - Documentary filmmaker
  - Karin Wachter - Gender-Based Violence Technical Advisor, International Rescue Committee
  - Kelly Askin - Senior Legal Officer, Open Society Justice Initiative
  - Denis Mukwege - Director, Panzi General Referral Hospital, Bukavu, Congo
  - David Smedley - Junior high school teacher
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**04/24/08: Women: Migration; Before Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe**

- Manuel Orozco - Inter-American Dialogue
  - Susan Martin - Institute for the Study of International Migration, Georgetown University
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**05/08/08: Fulfilling the Potential of Women in Academic Science and Engineering Act of 2008; Before House Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Lynda Carlson - Director, Division of Science Resources Statistics (SRS), National Science Foundation (NSF)
  - Linda G. Blevins - Senior Technical Advisor, Office of the Deputy Director for Science Programs, U.S. Department of Energy
  - Donna K. Ginther - Associate Professor, Department of Economics; Director, Center for Economic and Business Analysis, University of Kansas
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**05/15/08: U.N. Security Council Resolution 1325: Recognizing Women's Vital Roles in Achieving Peace and Security; Before House Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Swanee Hunt - Chair, Hunt Alternatives Fund
  - Donald Steinberg - Deputy President for Policy, International Crisis Group
  - Rina Amiri - Senior Regional Advisor, Central Eurasia Project, The Open Society Institute
  - Rebecca Okwaci - Secretary General, Women Action for Development
  - Betty Bigombe - Distinguished Scholar, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
  - Janice Crouse - Senior Fellow, Beverly LaHaye Institute, Concerned Women for America
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**09/09/08: Opportunities and Challenges for Women Entrepreneurs on the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Women's Business Ownership Act; Before Senate Committee on the Small Business and Entrepreneurship**

[Roundtable Transcript](#)

- Margaret Barton - Executive Director, National Women's Business Council, Washington, DC
- Faye Coleman - President and Chief Executive Officer, Westover Consultants, Inc., Bethesda, MD
- Patricia Costello - Director, The Arthur M. Blank Center for Entrepreneurship, Babson College, Babson Park, MA
- Lisa Dolan - President, Securit, Flushing, NY
- Margot Dorfman - Chief Executive Officer, U.S. Women's Chamber of Commerce, Washington, DC
- Tara Elder - Director, Women's Business and Training Center, Beckley, WV
- Sharon Hadary - Executive Director, Center for Women's Business Research, McLean, VA
- Kip Hollister - Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Hollister, Inc., Boston, MA
- Heidi Jacobus - Chief Executive Officer, Cybernet Systems Corporation, Ann Arbor, MI
- Virginia Littlejohn - Chief Executive Officer, Quantum Leaps, Inc., Washington, DC
- Nell Merlino - Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Count Me In for Women's Independence, New York, NY
- Ann Sullivan - Government Relations, Women Impacting Public Policy, Washington, DC

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**03/19/09: Human Trafficking: Recent Trends; Before House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism**

- Kumar Kibble - Deputy Director, Office of Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement
  - Derek Marsh - Co-Director, Orange County, Calif., Human Trafficking Task Force
  - Anastasia Brown - Director, Programs of Migration and Refugee Services, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
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**05/13/09: Confronting Rape and Other Forms of Violence Against Women in Conflict Zones Spotlight: DRC and Sudan; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on African Affairs; and Subcommittee on Human Rights, Democracy, and Global Women's Issues**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Melanne Verwee - Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues
  - Esther Brimmer - Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs
  - Phil Carter - Acting Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of African Affairs
  - Eve Ensler - Founder, V-Day
  - Chouchou Namegabe Nabintu - Journalist, DRC
  - Robert Wasrwick - Country Director of Southern Sudan, International Rescue Committee
  - Neimat Ahmadi - Darfuri Liason Officer, Save Darfur Coalition
  - Mr. John Prendergast - Co-chair, The Enough Project
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**06/10/09: The Continued Importance of the Violence Against Women Act; Before Senate Committee on the Judiciary**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Ann Burke - President and Founder, Lindsay Ann Burke Memorial Fund, Saunderstown, Rhode Island
  - Collene Campbell - National Chair, Force 100, San Juan Capistrano, California
  - Catherine Pierce, Catherine - Acting Director, Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice
  - Karen Tronsgard-Scott - Director, Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, Montpelier, Vermont
  - Gabrielle Union - Actor and Advocate, Beverly Hills, California
  - Sally Wells - Chief Assistant, Office of the Maricopa County Attorney, Phoenix Arizona
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**07/14/09: VA Health Care Services for Women Veterans: Bridging the Gaps in Care; Before Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Patricia Hayes - Chief Consultant, Women Veterans Health Strategic Health Care Group, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; accompanied by Irene Trowell-Harris - Director, Center for Women Veterans, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
  - Randall Williamson - Director, Health Care Issues, GAO
  - Joy Ilem - Deputy National Legislative Director, Disabled American Veterans
  - Tia Christopher - U.S. Navy Veteran; Women Veterans Coordinator, Iraq Veteran, Project Associate, Swords to Plowshares
  - Genevieve Chase - U.S. Army Reserve Veteran, Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan; Founder and Executive Director, American Women Veterans
  - Kayla Williams - U.S. Army Veteran; Board of Directors, Grace After Fire; Senior Adviser, VoteVets.org
  - Jennifer Olds - U.S. Army Veteran on behalf of Veterans of Foreign Wars
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**07/16/09: Eliminating Women's Veterans' Issues; Before House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, and Subcommittee on Health**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Randall Williamson - Director of Health Care, U.S. Government
  - Bradley Mayes - Director of Compensation and Pension Service, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Benefits Administration,
  - Irene Trowell-Harris - Director, Center for Women Veterans
  - Lawrence Deyton - Chief Public Health and Environmental Hazards Officer, Veterans Health Administration
  - Joy Ilem - Deputy National Legislative Director, Disabled American Veterans
  - Kayla Williams - Member, Board of Directors, Grace After Fire (MA)
  - Janice Krupnick - Committee on Veterans' Compensation for post-traumatic Stress Disorder, Institute of Medicine and National Research Council, The National Academies, and Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Director, Trauma and Loss Program, Georgetown University Medical Center National Association of State Women Veterans Coordinators, Inc.,
  - Delilah Washburn - First Sergeant, USAF (Ret.), President, and Houston Regional Director, Texas Veterans Commission
  - Anuradha Bhagwati - Executive Director, Service Women's Action Network
  - Phyllis Greenberger - President and Chief Executive Officer, Society for Women's Health Research
  - Dawn Halfaker - Vice President, Board of Directors, Wounded Warrior Project
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**10/01/09: Violence Against Women: Global Costs and Consequences; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Melanne Vermeer - Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues
- Stephen Rapp - Ambassador-at-Large for War Crimes Issues, Department of State

- Major General Patrick Cammaert - Former Military Advisor to the UN Secretary General; Former UN Force Commander for the Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo
  - Donald Steinberg - Deputy President International Crisis Group; Former Ambassador to Angola
  - Geeta Rao Gupta - President, International Center for Research on Women
  - Esta Soler - President and Founder, Family Violence Prevention Fund
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**10/15/09: What Women Want: Equal Benefits for Equal Premiums; Before Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Richard Burr - Senator (NC)
  - Sherrod Brown - Senator (OH)
  - Robert Casey Jr. - Senator (PA)
  - Al Franken - Senator (MN)
  - Barbara Mikulski - Senator (MD)
  - Kay Hagan - Senator (NC)
  - James Guest - President and CEO, Consumers Union, Yonkers, NY
  - Diana Furchtgott-Roth - Senior Fellow, Hudson Institute, and Director, Center for Employment Policy, Washington, DC
  - Janice Crouse - Director and Senior Fellow, Concerned Women for America, Washington, DC
  - Marcia Greenberger - Founder and Co-President, National Women's Law Center (NWLC), Washington, DC
  - Amanda Buchanan - Patient/Health Care Consumer, Weiser, ID
  - Peggy Robertson - Patient/Health Care Consumer, Centennial, CO
  - Karen Ignagni - President and CEO, America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP), Washington, DC
  - Jeff Merkley - Senator (OR)
  - Michael Bennet - Senator (CO)
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**10/21/09: International Violence Against Women: Stories and Solutions; Before House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Melanne Vermeer - Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues
  - Janice Schakowsky - U.S. House of Representatives
  - Mallika Dutt - Founder and Executive Director, Breakthrough
  - Nicole Kidman - Actress; UNIFEM Goodwill Ambassador
  - Linda Smith - President and Founder, Shared Hope International; Former Member of the U.S. House of Representatives
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**11/10/09: An Evaluation of 30 Years of the One-Child Policy in China; Before Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission**

- Harry Wu - President and Director, Laogai Research Foundation
  - Reggie Littlejohn - President, Women's Rights Without Frontiers
  - Rebiya Kadeer - President, World Uyghur Congress
  - Tianyong Jiang - Attorney
  - Nicholas Eberstadt - Scholar, American Enterprise Institute
  - Annie Jing Zhang - President, Women's Rights in China
  - Toy Reid - Senior Research Associate, Congressional-Executive Commission on China
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**11/13/09: The Impact of Women's Growing Participation in the Workforce: The Shriver Report: A Women's Nation Changes Everything; Before House Committee on Education and Labor, Subcommittee on Workforce Protection**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Joan Blades - Co-founder, MomsRising
  - Stephanie Bornstein - Associate Director, the Center for WorkLife Law
  - Maria Ferris - Director, diversity, compliance & employee experience, IBM Corp
  - Ann O'Leary - Executive Director, the Berkeley Center on Health, Economic & Family Security, University of California Berkeley School of Law
  - Claudia Zamorano
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**02/23/10: Afghan Women and Girls: Building the Future of Afghanistan; Before Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues; and Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Melanne Vermeer - Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues
  - James Bever - Director, Afghanistan-Pakistan Task Force, USAID
  - Sima Samar - Chair, Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission (AIHRC) Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in the Sudan
  - Rachel Reid - Afghanistan Researcher, Human Rights Watch
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**03/08/10: Women in a Changing China; Before the Congressional-Executive Commission on China**

[Roundtable Transcript](#)

- Abigail Story - Research Associate and Manager of Special Projects, Congressional-Executive Commission on China



- Rangita de Silva de Alwis - Director of International Human Rights Policy, Wellesley Centers for Women
  - Katherine Zhao - Student, Division of Social Sciences, University of Chicago and former Fullbright Fellow
  - Mark Lagon - Former Ambassador-at-Large and Director, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons (TIP), U.S. Department of State
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**03/11/10: A Fair Share for All: Pay Equity in the New American Workplace; Before Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Rosa Delauro - Rep, D-Conn
  - Stuart Ishimaru - Acting Chairman, EEOC
  - Heather Boushey - Center for American Progress Action Fund
  - Deborah Frett - Business and Professional Women's Foundation
  - Deborah Brake - University of Pittsburgh
  - Jane McFetridge - Attorney
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**03/16/10: Broadening Participation in STEM; Before House Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Shirley Malcom - Head, Directorate for Education and Human Resources Programs, American Association for the Advancement of Science
  - Alicia Dowd - Associate Professor, Higher Education, School of Education, University of Southern California
  - Keivan Stassun - Associate Professor, Astronomy, Vanderbilt University
  - David Yarlott - President, Little Big Horn College; also representing American Indian Higher Education Consortium
  - Elaine Craft - Director, South Carolina Advanced Technological Education National Resource Center, Florence Darlington Technical College
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**05/05/10: The Increased Importance of the Violence Against Women Act in a Time of Economic Crisis; Before Senate Committee on the Judiciary**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Susan Carbon - Judge, Director, Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC
  - Richard Gelles - Dean, School of Social Policy & Practice, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
  - Lolita Ulloa - Managing Attorney, victim Services division, Hennepin County Attorney's Office, Minneapolis, Minnesota
  - Auburn Watersong - Economic Justice Specialist, Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence Montpelier, Vermont
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**05/12/10: Restroom Gender Parity in Federal Buildings Act; Before House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Yvette Clarke - Rep, D-NY
  - Steve Cohen - Rep, D-Tenn
  - Robert Peck - Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA
  - Kathryn Anthony - Professor, School of Architecture, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
  - Sharon Pratt - Former Mayor, D.C
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**05/12/10: Minorities and Women in Financial Regulatory Reform: The Need for Increasing Participation and Opportunities for Qualified Persons and Businesses; Before House Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, and the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Pamela Bethel - Partner, O'Riordan Bethel Law Firm, LLP, on behalf of the National Association of Minority- and Women-Owned Law Firms
  - Thomas Boston - Professor of Economics, Georgia Institute of Technology
  - Orice Brown - Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, GAO
  - Alexander Chaparro - Chairman, National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals (NAHREP)
  - Orim Graves - Executive Director, National Association of Securities Professionals (NASP)
  - Carlos Loumiet - Partner, Hunton & Williams LLP, and Chair, New America Alliance, on behalf of the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
  - Vincent Wimbish - President and Chief Executive Officer, National Association of Real Estate Brokers (NAREB)
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**05/20/10: Healing the Wounds: Evaluating Military Sexual Trauma Issues; Before Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, and Subcommittee on Health**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Phyllis Greenberger - President and CEO, Society for Women's Health Research
- Helen Benedict - Professor, Journalism, Columbia University
- Scott Berkowitz - President and Founder, RAINN
- Joy Ilem - Deputy National Legislative Director, Disabled American Veterans
- Jennifer Hunt - Project Coordinator, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America
- Anuradha Bhagwati - Executive Director, Service Women's Action Network
- Kaye Whitley - Director, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office, Office of the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, DOD
- Bradley Mayes - Director, Compensation and Pension Service, Veterans Benefits Administration; also representing VA

- Susan McCutcheon - Director, Family Services, Women's Mental Health and Military Sexual Trauma, Veterans Health Administration, VA
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**06/09/10: Women as Agents of Change: Advancing the Role of Women in Politics and Civil Society; Before House Foreign Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Melanne Verveer - Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues
  - Esther Brimmer - Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Organization Affairs
  - Kenneth Wollack - President, National Democratic Institute
  - Swanee Hunt - Chair, Institute for Inclusive Security; Former U.S. Ambassador to Austria
  - Judy Van Rest - Executive Vice President, The International Republican Institute
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**07/27/10: Female D.C. Code Felons: Unique Challenges in Prison and at Home; Before House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service, and D.C.**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Harley Lappin - Director, BOP
  - Adrienne Poteat - Deputy Director, CSOSA
  - Nancy Lavigne - Director, Justice Policy Center, Urban Institute
  - Ashley McSwain - Executive Director, Our Place, D.C
  - Zandononi Day - Ex-offender
  - Juanita Bennett - Ex-offender
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**09/14/10: Rape in the United States: The Chronic Failure To Report and Investigate Rape Cases; Before Senate Committee on Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Susan Carbon - Director, Office on Violence Against Women, Department of Justice
  - Carol Tracy - Executive Director, Women's Law Project
  - Charles Ramsey - Commissioner, Philadelphia, Pa., Police Department
  - Sara Reedy - Victim of sexual assault
  - Julie Weil - Victim of sexual assault
  - Lawanda Ravoira - Director, National Council on Crime and Delinquency, Center for Girls and Young Women
  - Dean Kilpatrick - Director, National Crime Victims Research and Treatment Center, Medical University of South Carolina
  - Scott Berkowitz - President and Founder, Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network
  - Eleanor Smeal - President, Feminist Majority Foundation
  - Michelle Dempsey - Associate Professor, Law, Villanova University School of Law
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**09/21/10: Welfare Reform: A New Conversation on Women and Poverty; Before Senate Committee on Finance**

- Vivyan Adair - Elihu Root Peace Fund Associate Professor of Women's Studies, Hamilton College
  - Kay Brown - Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO
  - Gordon Berlin - President, MDRC
  - Wesley Moore - Author
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**09/29/10: New Evidence on the Gender Pay Gap for Women and Mothers in Management; Before Joint Economics Committee**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Andrew Sherrill - Director of Education, Workforce, and Income Security, U.S. GAO
  - Ilene H. Lang - President & Chief Executive Officer, Catalyst
  - Michelle J. Budig - Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Massachusetts
  - Diana Furchtgott-Roth - Senior Fellow, Hudson Institute
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**09/30/10: Out of the Shadows: The Global Fight Against Human Trafficking; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Luis CdeBaca - Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - David Abramowitz - Director, Policy and Government Relations, Humanity United
  - Mark Lagon - Chair, International Relations and Security Concentration, Georgetown University
  - Aruna Urpety - Founder, Rural Health and Education Service Trust; also representing American Himalayan Foundation
  - Neha Misra - Senior Specialist, Migration and Human Trafficking, Solidarity Center
  - Beryl D'Souza - Medical Director and Anti-Human Trafficking Director, India, Dalit Freedom Network
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**11/18/10: Women's Rights Are Human Rights: U.S. Ratification of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW); Before Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Melanne Vermeer - Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues
  - Samuel Bagenstos - Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice
  - Geena Davis - Actor and Founder, The Geena Davis Institute on Gender in Media
  - Wazhma Frogh - Policy and Advocacy Specialist, Afghan Women's Network
  - Marcia Greenberger - Co-President, National Women's Law Center
  - Steven Groves - Bernard and Barbara Lomas Fellow, The Heritage Foundation
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**02/09/11: H.R. \_\_\_\_\_, a Bill To Amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act To Modify Special Rules Relating to Coverage of Abortion Services Under Such Act; Before House Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Helen Alvare - Associate Professor, Law, George Mason University School of Law
  - Sara Rosenbaum - Chair, Department of Health Policy, George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services
  - Douglas Johnson - Federal Legislative Director, National Right to Life Committee
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**03/08/11: The Democratic Republic of the Congo: Securing Peace in the Midst of Tragedy; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Donald Yamamoto - Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State
  - Rajakumari Jandhyala - Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa, AID
  - Ben Affleck - Actor and Founder, Eastern Congo Initiative (ECI)
  - Francisca Vigaud-Walsh - Advisor, Sexual and Gender-Based Violence, Catholic Relief Services
  - John Predergast - Co-Founder, Enough Project
  - Cindy McCain - philanthropist and Founding Member, ECI
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**05/03/11: Women in Afghanistan; Before Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission**

- Rina Amiri - Senior Advisor, Afghanistan, Office of the Special Representative to Afghanistan and Pakistan, Department of State
  - Don Steinberg - Deputy Administrator, AID
  - Joanne Sandler - Deputy Director, UN Women, UN
  - Marzia Basel - Founder and Director, Afghanistan Progressive Law Organization; representing Afghan Women Civil Society
  - David Cortright - Director, Policy Studies, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame
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**07/13/11: The Violence Against Women Act: Building on 17 Years of Accomplishments; Before Senate Committee on the Judiciary**

- Phillip McGraw – Television Talk Show Host
  - Michael Shaw – Co-Director, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services, Waypoint Services for Women, Children, and Families
  - Jane Van Buren – Executive Director, Women Helping Battered Women
  - Julie Poner – Domestic violence victim
  - Eileen Larence – Director, Homeland Security and Justice, GAO
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**07/22/11: Coptic Christian in Egypt; Before Senate Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe**

- Christopher Smith – Rep, R-NK; Chairman, Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe
  - Caroline Doss – Vice President, Coptic Solidarity
  - Jean Maher – President, Egyptian Union for Human Rights Organization
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**09/22/11: China’s One-Child Policy: The Government’s Massive Crime Against Women and Unborn Babies; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Reggie Littlejohn – President, Women’s Rights Without Frontiers
  - Chai Ling – Founder, All Girls Allowed
  - Ping Liu – Victim
  - Yeqing Ji – Victim
  - Valerie Hudson – Professor, Brigham Young University
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**11/02/11: Women and the Arab Spring; Before Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues; and Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Melanne Vermeer - Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues
  - Tamara C. Wittes - Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs; Deputy Special Coordinator for Middle East Transitions
  - Manal Omar – Director of Iraq, Iran, and North Africa Programs, U.S. Institute of Peace
  - Mahnaz Afkhami – President, Women’s Learning Partnership
  - Sandra Bunn-Livingstone – President & CEO, Freedom
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**11/02/11: China Democracy Promotion Act of 2011; Before House Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Chris Smith - Rep, R-NJ
- Chai Ling – Founder, All Girls Allowed

- Ruth Wasem – Specialist in Immigration Policy, Congressional Research Service
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### **2/16/12: The US Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women; Before House Committee on Judiciary**

#### [Testimony Transcript](#)

- Susan Carbon – Director, Office of Violence Against Women
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### **06/12/12: Equality at Work: The Employment Non-Discrimination Act; Before Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions**

#### [Hearing Transcript](#)

- Lee Badgett Lee - Research Director, Williams Institute for Sexual Orientation Law and Public Policy, UCLA
  - Kylar Broadus - Executive Director, Trans People of Color Coalition
  - Samuel Bagenstos - Professor, Law, University of Michigan Law School
  - Kenneth Charles - Vice President, Global Diversity and Inclusion, General Mills, Inc.
  - Craig Parshall - Senior Vice President and General Counsel, National Religious Broadcasters
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### **06/19/12: Forty Years and Counting: The Triumphs of Title IX; Before Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions**

#### [Hearing Transcript](#)

- Billie Jean King - Former professional tennis player
  - Nancy Hogshead-Makar - Olympic swimming gold medalist; and Senior Director, Advocacy, Women's Sports Foundation
  - Dr. Mae Jamison - Retired NASA Astronaut
  - Sandra Stosz, Rear Adm. - Superintendent, Coast Guard Academy
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### **07/17/12: The Next Ten Years in the Fight Against Human Trafficking: Attacking the Problem with the Right Tools; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations**

#### [Hearing Transcript](#)

- Jada Pinkett Smith - Actress; Advocate, Don't Sell Bodies
  - David Abramowitz - Vice President, Policy and Government Relations, Humanity United
  - Holly Burkhalter - Vice President, Government Relations, International Justice Mission
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### **07/18/12: Violence Against Coptic Women and Girls in Egypt: Before the Joint Committees on Commissions and Temporary Committees**

- Katrina Lantos-Swett - Chair, U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom

- Michele Clark - Adjunct Professor, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University
  - Walid Phares - Co-Secretary General, Transatlantic Legislative Group on Counterterrorism
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**07/25/12: Enhancing Women's Retirement Security; Before Senate Special Committee on Aging**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Barbara Bovbjerg - Managing Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security Issues, GAO
  - LaTina Greene - Assistant Deputy Commissioner, Retirement and Disability Policy, SSA
  - Kelly O'Donnell - Vice President, Financial Engines, Inc.
  - Sabrina Schaeffer - Executive Director, Independent Women's Forum
  - Joan Entmacher - Vice President and Director, Family Economic Security, National Women's Law Center
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**03/18/13: How Comprehensive Immigration Reform Should Address the Needs of Women and Families; Before Senate Committee on the Judiciary**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Ai-jen Poo - Director, National Domestic Workers Alliance
  - Karen Panetta - Vice President, Communications and Public Awareness, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers-USA
  - Mee Moua - President and Executive Director, Asian American Justice Center
  - Susan Martin - Professor, International Migration, Georgetown University
  - Jennifer Ng'andu - Director, Health and Civil Rights Policy Projects, National Council of La Raza
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**04/18/13: Tier Rankings in the Fight Against Human Trafficking; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Mark Lagon - Adjunct Senior Fellow, Human Rights, Council on Foreign Relations
- Thang Dinh - President and CEO, also Coalition to Abolish Modern-day Slavery in Asia, Boat People SOS, Inc.
- Suzanne Scholte - Chairman, North Korea Freedom Coalition
- Brian Campbell - Director, Policy and Legal Programs, International Labor Rights Forum
- Esther Choe - Victim of human trafficking
- David Abramowitz - Vice President, Policy and Government Relations, Humanity United
- Carol Smolenski - Executive Director, End Child Prostitution and Trafficking-USA



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**04/25/13: Transitioning to Afghan Security Lead: Protecting Afghan Women; Before House Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Clare Lockhart - Director, Institute for State Effectiveness
- Stephanie Sanok - Deputy Director, International Security Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies

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**05/07/13: Local and Private Sector Initiatives to Combat International Human Trafficking; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Don Knabe - Supervisor, Fourth District, Los Angeles County, Calif., Board of Supervisors
- Bradley Myles - Executive Director and CEO, Polaris Project
- Shawn MacDonald - Director, Programs and Research, Verite

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**05/08/13: Strengthening the Entrepreneurial Ecosystem for Minority Women; Before Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship**

- Alejandra Castillo - National Deputy Director, Minority Business Development Agency
- Marie Johns - Deputy Administrator, SBA
- Dixie Kolditz - Owner, Brighton Enterprises Inc., also Open-Box Creations, LLC
- Marianne Lancaster - President and CEO, Lancaster Packaging Inc.
- Eva Longoria - Actress; Founder, Eva Longoria Foundation
- Marc Morial - President and CEO, National Urban League
- Sophia Parker - Founder and CEO, DSFederal, Inc.

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**05/15/13: Women in Manufacturing; Before the Joint Committee on Economics**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Jennifer McNelly - President, Manufacturing Institute
- Darlene Miller - President and CEO, Permac Industries, Inc.
- Amy Jolley - Vice President, Tax, Nobel Energy, Inc.

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**06/13/13: A Dangerous Slide Backwards: Russia's Deteriorating Human Rights Situation; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues; Subcommittee on European Affairs**

- Stephen Sestanovich - Senior Fellow, Russian and Eurasian Studies, Council on Foreign Relations
- Ariel Cohen - Senior Research Fellow, Russian and Eurasian Studies and International Energy Security, Heritage Foundation

- Frank Jannuzi - Deputy Executive Director, Advocacy, Policy and Research, Amnesty International
  - Leon Aron - Director, Russian Studies, American Enterprise Institute
  - Boris Nemstov - Co-Chairman, Republican Party of Russia-People's Freedom Party
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**07/11/13: The State Department 2013 Trafficking in Persons Report; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**

[Testimony Transcript](#)

- Luis CdeBaca - Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat TIP, Department of State
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**07/17/13: [Nomination for Catherine Russell]; Before Senate Committee on Foreign Relations**

[Testimony Transcript](#)

- Catherine Russell
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**07/24/13: Women in Service Reviews; Before House Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Juliet Beyler - Director, Officer and Enlisted Personnel Management, Office of the Undersecretary, Personnel and Readiness, DOD
  - Howard Bromberg, Lt. Gen. - Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel, Army
  - Robert Milstead, Lt. Gen., Jr. - Deputy Commandant, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, USMC
  - Bennet Sacolick, Maj. Gen. - Director, Force Management and Development, SOCOM
  - Barbara Sweredoski, Rear Adm. - Reserve Deputy, Military Personnel Plans and Policy, Navy
  - Gina Grosso, Brig. Gen. - Director, Force Management Policy and Deputy Chief of Staff, Manpower, Personnel, and Services, AF
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**09/10/13: India's Missing Girls; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**

- Matthew Connelly - Professor, Columbia University
  - Sabu George - Independent researcher
  - Jill Mcelya- Vice President, Invisible Girl Project
  - Mallika Dutt - President and CEO, Breakthrough
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**09/23/13: Combating Human Trafficking; Before Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs**

- Alice Hill - Chair, Blue Campaign, DHS
  - James Dinkins - Executive Associate Director, Homeland Security Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement
  - Anne Gannon - National Coordinator, Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction, FBI
  - Joseph Campbell - Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division, FBI
  - John Farmer Jr. - Senior Vice President and University Counsel, Rutgers University
  - Suzanne Koeppinger - Executive Director, Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center
  - Lisa Brunner - Program Specialist, National Indigenous Women's Resource Center
  - Daniel Papa - Director, Project Stay Gold
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**10/29/13: Report from SIGAR: Challenges to Securing Afghan Women's Gains in a Post-2014 Environment; Before House Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Michelle Barsa - Senior Manager, Policy, Inclusive Security
  - Kenneth Katzman - Specialist, Middle Eastern Affairs, CRS
  - John Sopko - Special Inspector General, Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction
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**11/04/13: Regional Perspectives in the Global Fight Against Human Trafficking; Before House Committee on Foreign Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Tony Rackauckas - District Attorney, Orange County, Calif.
  - Kay Buck - Executive Director and CEO, Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking
  - Angela Guanzon - Survivor of labor trafficking and Member, CAST Survivor Advisory Caucus, also National Survivor Network
  - Carissa Phelps - Founder and CEO, Runaway Girl, FPC
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**11/20/13: The Global Gender-Based Violence Threat; Before House Commissions and Temporary Committees**

- Cristina Finch - Managing Director, Women's Human Rights Program, Amnesty International USA
  - Francisca Vigaud-Walsh - Senior Policy and Advocacy Officer, Women's Protection and Empowerment Unit, International Rescue Committee
  - Ravi Kant - Board President, Shakti Vahini
  - Guerda Constant - Executive Director, Fondasyon Limye Lavi
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**01/27/14: Lessons Learned from Super Bowl Preparations: Preventing International Human Trafficking at Major Sporting Events; Before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Luis Cdebaca - Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Maria Odom - Chair, Blue Campaign, DHS
  - Polly Hanson- Chief of Police, National Railroad Passenger Corp. (Amtrak)
  - Nancy L. Rivard - President, Airline Ambassadors International
  - Carol Smolenski - Executive Director, End Child Prostitution and Trafficking-USA
  - Letty Ashworth - General Manager, Global Diversity, Delta Airlines
  - Holly A. Smith - survivor of child sex trafficking
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**03/20/14: Combating Human Trafficking in Our Major Cities; House Committee on Homeland Security**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Brian M. Moskowitz - Special Agent in Charge, Houston Office, Homeland Security Investigations , Immigration and Customs Enforcement
  - Steven C. McCraw - Director, Texas Department of Public Safety
  - Adrian Garcia - Sheriff, Harris County, Tex., Sheriff's Office
  - Ann Johnson - Assistant District Attorney, Harris County, Tex.
  - Charles A. McClelland Jr. - Chief, Houston, Tex., Police Department
  - Robert Sanborn - President and CEO, Children at Risk
  - Dr. Reena Isaac - Attending Physician, Child Abuse Pediatrics Section, Emergency Department, Texas Children's Hospital
  - Cheryl Briggs - Founder and CEO, Mission at Serenity Ranch
  - Kathryn Griffin-Townsend - Founder, We've Been There Done That Reentry Program, Harris County, Tex., Sheriff's Office
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**04/01/14: Access to Justice: Ensuring Equal Pay with the Paycheck Fairness Act; Before the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Deborah T. Eisenberg- Associate Professor, University of Maryland School of Law
- ReShonda Young - Operations Manager and Corporate Vice President, Alpha Express, Inc.
- Camille A. Olson - attorney , also Chamber of Commerce of the U.S.
- Kerri Sleeman - mechanical engineer

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**04/03/14: Hearing on Women's Education: Promoting Development, Countering Radicalism; and Markup of H.R. 3583, Malala Yousafzai Scholarship Act; Before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Hedieh Mirahmadi – President, World Organization for Resource Development and Education
- Humera Kahn - Executive Director, Muflehun
- Kathleen Kuehnast - Director, Center for Gender and Peacebuilding, U.S. Institute of Peace

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**04/08/14: American Energy Jobs: Opportunities for Women and Minorities; Before the House Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Julie E. Gressley - Consultant, IHS Economics
- Dale Lefebvre- Founder and Chairman, 3.5.7.11 Holding Co.
- Emily Arthun - Director, Talent Management, Cloud Peak Energy , also Women's Mining Coalition
- Lynne L. Hackedorn - Vice President, Government and Public Affairs, Cobalt International Energy
- Kase L. Lawal - Chairman and CEO, CAMAC Energy

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**04/29/14: Effective Accountability: Tier Rankings in the Fight Against Human Trafficking; Before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Mark P. Lagon - former Ambassador-at-Large, Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
- Brian Campbell - Director, Policy and Legal Programs, International Labor Rights Forum
- Blair Burns - Vice President, Regional Operations, Southeast Asia, International Justice Mission
- Nathalie Lummert - Director, Special Programs, Department of Migration and Refugee Services, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
- Wakar Uddin - Director General, Arakan Rohingya Union, Burma

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**05/21/14: Women's Retirement Security; Before the Joint Committee on Economics**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Debra B. Whitman - Executive Vice President, Policy, Strategy and International Affairs, AARP
- Brigitte C. Madrian - Professor, Public Policy and Corporate Management, Harvard Kennedy School

- M. Cindy Hounsell - President, Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement
  - Rachel Greszler - Senior Policy Analyst, Economics and Entitlements, Center for Data Analysis, Heritage Foundation
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**06/04/14: The Location Privacy Protection Act of 2014; Before the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology and the Law**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Bea Hanson - Principal Deputy Director, Office on Violence Against Women, Department of Justice
  - Jessica Rich - Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC
  - Mark L. Goldstein - Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO
  - Brian Hill - Detective, Criminal Investigations Division, Anoka County, Minn., Sheriff's Office
  - Luigi Mastria - Executive Director, Digital Advertising Alliance
  - Sally Greenberg - Executive Director, National Consumers League
  - Robert D. Atkinson - President, Information Technology and Innovation Foundation
  - Cindy Southworth - Vice President, Development and Innovation, National Network To End Domestic Violence, also Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women
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**06/24/14: Combatting violence and Discrimination Against Women: A Global Call to Action; Before the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Catherine M. Russell - Ambassador At Large, Global Women's Issues, Department of State
  - Susan Markham - Senior Coordinator, Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment
  - Gary Barker- International Director, Promundo
  - Jacqueline O'Neill - Director, Institute for Inclusive Security
  - Hauwa Ibrahim- Visiting Scholar, Harvard University Radcliffe Institute
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**07/24/14: Modern Day Slavery and What We Buy; Before the House Commissions and Temporary Committees**

- Luis Cdebaca - Ambassador at Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - Neha Misra - Senior Specialist, Migration and Human Trafficking, Solidarity Center
  - Dan Viederman - CEO, Verite
  - Jesse Eaves - Senior Policy Advisor, Child Protection, World Vision
  - Biram Dah Abeid- Founder and President, Initiative for the Resurgence of the Abolitionist Movement in Mauritania
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**07/30/14: VAWA Next Steps: Protecting Women from Gun Violence; Before the Senate Committee on the Judiciary**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Jacquelyn Campbell - Professor and Chair, Department of Community-Public Health, School of Nursing, Johns Hopkins University
  - Joyce L. Malcom - Professor, Constitutional Law and the Second Amendment, George Mason University School of Law
  - Christopher Schmaling - Sheriff, Racine County, Wis.
  - Seamus McCaffery - Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
  - Elvin Daniel - brother of woman killed by estranged husband using firearm
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**09/11/14: Examining H.R. , the Trafficking Awareness Training for Health Care Act of 2014; Before the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Katherine Chon - Senior Advisor, Trafficking in Persons, Administration for Children and Families, HHS
  - Vednita Carter - Founder and Executive Director, Breaking Free, St. Paul, Minn.
  - Laura J. Lederer - Director, Bastian Center for the Study of Human Trafficking, Indiana Wesleyan University
  - Dr. Hanni, Stoklasa - Emergency Physician, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, Mass.
  - Kenneth P. Miller - President , American Association of Nurse Practitioners
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**12/9/14: Humanitarian Crisis in Iraq and Syria; Before the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women`s Issues**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Tom Malinowski – Assistant Secretary, Department of State
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**02/24/15: Human Trafficking in the U.S.; Before the Senate Committee on the Judiciary**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Holly A. Smith - trafficking survivor and author
  - Malika S. Saar - Executive Director, Human Rights Project for Girls
  - Jayne Bigelsen - Director, Anti-Human Trafficking Initiatives, Covenant House International
  - Michael Ferjak - Senior Criminal Investigator and Director, Human Trafficking Enforcement and Prosecution Initiative , Iowa Department of Justice
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**04/22/15: Accountability and Transformation: Tier Rankings in the Fight Against Human Trafficking; Before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Mark P. Lagon - President, Freedom House
  - Rev. Shay Cullen- Founder and President, PREDA Foundation
  - Matthew Smith - Executive Director, Fortify Rights International
  - Jesse Eaves - Director, Policy and Government Relations, Humanity United
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**04/30/15: Examining Access and Quality of Care and Services for Women Veterans; Before the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Dawn Halfaker – veteran
  - Joy Ilem - Deputy National Legislative Director, National Service and Legislative Headquarters, Disabled American Veterans
  - Lauren Augustine - Legislative Associate, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America
  - Patricia Hayes - Chief Consultant for Women's Health Services, Office of Patient Care Services, Veterans Health Administration
  - Susan McCutscheon - National Mental Health Director, Family Services, Women's Mental Health, and Military Sexual Trauma, Veterans Health Administration
  - Curtis Coy - Deputy Under Secretary, Economic Opportunity, Veterans Benefits Administration
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**04/30/15: Population Control in China: State-Sponsored Violence Against Women and Children; Before the Joint Commissions and Temporary Committees**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Nicholas Eberstadt- Scholar, Political Economy, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research
  - Valerie M. Hudson - Chair, Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M University
  - Reggie Littlejohn- Founder and President, Women's Rights Without Frontiers
  - Ling Chai - Founder and President, All Girls Allowed
  - Guangcheng Chen - Fellow, Human Rights, Simon Center on Religion and the Constitution, Witherspoon Institute
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**05/14/15: A Pathway to Freedom: Rescue and Refuge for Sex Trafficking Victims; Before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Sean D. Reyes - Attorney General, Utah, Utah Attorney General's Office
- Timothy Ballard - founder and CEO, O.U.R.



- Karla Jacinto Romero - human trafficking victim and advocate, Commission United Vs. Trafficking, Mexico
  - Rosi Orozco - President, Commission United Vs. Trafficking, Mexico
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**07/29/15: Women Under ISIS Rule: From Brutality to Recruitment; Before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Sasha Havlicek - CEO, Institute for Strategic Dialogue
  - Edward Watts - documentary filmmaker
  - Kathleen Kuehnast - Director, Gender and Peacebuilding, Center for Governance, Law, and Society, U.S. Institute of Peace
  - Ariel I. Ahram- Assistant Professor, School of Public and International Affairs, Virginia Tech
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**09/10/15: Preventing and Responding to Sexual Assault on College Campuses; Before the House Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Dana Scaduto - Campus Counsel, Dickinson College
  - Penny Rue - Vice President, Campus Life, Wake Forest University
  - Lisa M. Maatz - Vice President, Government Relations, American Association of University Women
  - Joseph Cohn - Legislative and Policy Director, Foundation for Individual Rights in Education
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**11/04/15: Demanding Accountability: Evaluating the 2015 "Trafficking in Persons Report"; Before the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs, House Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Kari A. Johnstone - Principal Deputy Director, Office to Monitor and Combat TIP, Department of State
  - James Carouso - Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State
  - Alex Lee - Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State
  - Mark P. Lagon - President, Freedom House
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**11/17/15: Women and Technology: Increasing Opportunity and Driving International Development; Before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Geena Davis - Founder and Chair, Geena Davis Institute on Gender in Media

- Sonia Jorge- Executive Director, Alliance for Affordable Internet
  - Joyce Warner- Senior Vice President and Chief of Staff, International Research and Exchanges Board
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**12/3/15: China's New "Two-Child Policy" and the Continuation of Massive Crimes Against Women and Children; Before the Joint Commissions and Temporary Committees**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Henry Eberstadt - Scholar, Political Economy, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research
  - Reggie Littlejohn - Founder and President, Women's Rights Without Frontiers
  - Sarah Huang- Chinese women's rights advocate
  - Jennifer Li - Co-Founder, China Life Alliance
  - Steven W. Mosher - President, Population Research Institute
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**02/02/16: Implementation of the Decision To Open All Ground Combat Units to Women; Before the Senate Committee on Armed Services**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Raymond E. Mabus Jr. - Secretary, Navy
  - Patrick J. Murphy - Acting Secretary, Army
  - Gen. Mark A. Milley - Chief of Staff, Army
  - Gen. Robert B. Neller - Commandant, USMC
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**02/03/16: Gendercide: China's Missing Girls; Before Joint Commissions and Temporary Committees**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Ling Chai - Founder and President, All Girls Allowed
  - Mara Hvistendahl- journalist
  - Julie F. Brenning - Director, Research and China Outreach, Give Her Life
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**02/24/16: Ending Modern Slavery; Before the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Cindy H. McCain- Chair, Human Trafficking Advisory Council, McCain Institute for International Leadership
- Maurice I. Middleberg- Executive Director, Free the Slaves
- Evelyn Chumbow - Survivor Advocate
- Leah - Human Trafficking Survivor, and Survivor Advocate

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**03/22/16: Women Fighting for Peace: Lessons for Today's Conflicts; Before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Monica McWilliams- Professor, Women's Studies, Transitional Justice Institute, Ulster University
- Hassan Abbas - Chair, Department of Regional and Analytical Studies, College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University
- Jacqueline O'Neill - Director, Institute for Inclusive Security

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**03/22/16: Get It Right This Time: A Victims-Centered Trafficking in Persons Report; Before the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs, House Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**

[Hearing Transcript](#)

- Mark P. Lagon- President, Freedom House
- Matthew Smith - Executive Director, Fortify Rights
- Jo Jin Hye - President, North Koreans in USA
- Maria C. Werlau- President, Free Society Project

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**06/15/16: Barriers to Education Globally: Getting Girls in the Classroom; Before the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Catherine M. Russell - Ambassador-at-Large, Global Women's Issues, Department of State
- Susan Markham - Senior Coordinator, Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment, AID
- Linda Hiebert - Senior Director, Education and Life Skills, World Vision International
- Meighan Stone - President, The Malala Fund
- Kakenya Ntaiya - Founder and President, Kakenya Center for Excellence

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**06/28/16: One Year After Enactment: Implementation of the Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act of 2015; Before the Senate Committee on the Judiciary**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Jill Steinberg - National Coordinator, Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction, Department of Justice
  - Gretta L. Goodwin - Acting Director, Justice and Law Enforcement Issues, Homeland Security and Justice Team, GAO
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**07/12/16: Trafficking in Persons Report; Before the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Susan Coppedge - Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat TIP, Department of State
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**07/12/16: Accountability Over Politics: Scrutinizing the Trafficking in Persons Report; Before the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs, House Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Susan Coppedge- Ambassador-at-Large to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State
  - David Abramowitz- Managing Director, Policy and Government Relations, Humanity United Action
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**9/14/16: Global Efforts To End Child Marriage; Before the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues**

[Hearing Transcripts](#)

- Anne C. Richard - Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State
- Catherine M. Russell - Ambassador-at-Large, Global Women's Issues, Department of State
- Lakshmi Sundaram - Executive Director, Girls Not Brides: The Global Partnership To End Child Marriage
- Suzanne Petroni - Senior Director, Global Health, Youth, and Development, International Center for Research on Women