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CALL FOR ARTICLES: *Women Peace and Security Journal (WPS Journal)*

The Editor of the Women, Peace and Security Journal (WPS Journal) invites interested scholars and practitioners to submit manuscripts for consideration in the journal.

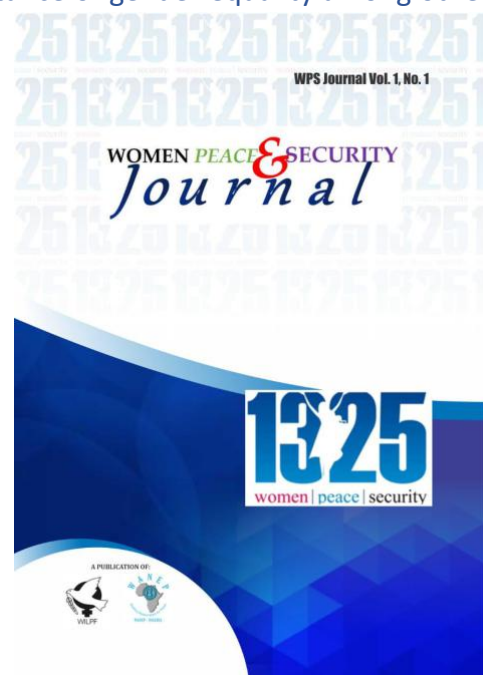
Why a Journal on Women Peace and Security?

Following the landmark publication by the UN Secretary General on Conflict Prevention in June 2000, the issue of Women, Peace and Security gained central attention as the report underscored the importance of gender equality among other things. In response to the Secretary General's report, the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) passed the Security Council Resolution 1325 on October 31 of that year, 21 years ago now.

During the past two decades, a lot of progress has been recorded including evidence of remarkable contributions by women in Nigeria have been noted and documented. Nine additional Resolutions have been passed since then by the UNSC, which the global community warmly welcomed. Nigeria on her part Localized the UNSCR 1325 with the first and second National Action Plans (NAP). The first lasted through 2013-2016 and the second lasted through 2017-2020 and both Plans aimed to advance the work of Government and stakeholders around key WPS principles and strategies (the 5 P s) including: Prevention, Participation, Protection, Prosecution, and Promotion.

Today, by virtue of the progress made through the NAP implementation, Nigeria has a WPS policy road map and WPS infrastructure in place. During the past decade the peace and security policy architectures of Nigeria have witnessed the impact of the WPS Agenda as relevant policies and legislation at the national level and in some states are now in place thanks to the commitment of diverse stakeholders.

Jointly inspired by a commitment to promote the contributions of women to peace and security processes in Africa through evidence based research, the West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP Nigeria) and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF Nigeria) have introduced the WPS Journal, to be published bi-annually. The objectives for the Journal are, to: document qualitative and quantitative information based on facts from women, peace and security interventions in Nigeria; provide a platform to share information and best practices



on implementation of Nigeria's NAP on UNSCR 1325 and other women, peace and security related issues; and provide dependable reference materials for academic discourse on WPS agenda.

At national, state, and local levels the contributions of women and organisations working on women, peace and security are multifarious and colourful. The individuals and institutions whose work spotlights the activities and roles of girls and young women in conflict and post-conflict contexts are also making important contributions to the women, peace and security agenda. Their unique interventions in any of the 5 key stages of the peace process are important, they continue to gain recognition and should be documented for posterity. It is time to begin to document and publish all the positive impact so far recorded. This is where the role of a WPS Journal fits in so well.

Acceptable topics and requirements

- Authors are invited to submit articles that document some of the following: women's contributions to peace process; the contributions of organisations and institutions contributing to women, peace and security issues; case studies of impact on the women, peace and security agenda, and findings from scientific evaluations of interventions and programmes in the subject domain, as well as any cross-cutting issues.
- Original submissions will be accepted for publication provided that they have not been previously published or submitted for publication elsewhere.
- Acceptable articles will be those that document in clear, inspiring, and truthful manner the contributions to women, peace and security issues in Nigeria.
- Articles submitted for consideration may cover any topic under the vast theme of Women, Peace and Security (WPS) and may not exceed 7,000 words.
- The articles submitted must be in MS Word format, font type, Times New Roman, size 12, 1.5 line spacing, and the approved referencing style is APA 7th Edition.
- All submissions will be peer reviewed and the decision to publish will be based on the result of the review process.

Authors who submit articles for consideration will receive a written reply from the Journal Editor once a decision is reached concerning their submission.

The Journal is published in June and December of every year but articles are treated on a rolling basis. Submit your article to wps.journal.ng@gmail.com and expect to hear from us soon. You may also contact the Editor on +2348066559669.

