

Women Working Worldwide: #BlackLivesMatter statement

Women Working Worldwide are heartbroken by the recent murders of Breonna Taylor, George Floyd and Ahmaud Arbery in the United States. We are also angered by the continued acts of racist violence and persistent injustices inflicted for hundreds of years on the Black community in the United States, the UK and around the world.

This must end.

Gender equality cannot be realised without racial equality and justice.

WWW have been working to raise awareness of the injustices in our global supply chain for over 30 years and have been working in partnership with our sisters, and brothers, throughout the world to bring about transformational change. We will continue to acknowledge anti-blackness, speak up when we see racism and challenge where we know there is injustice. We will never achieve equality until we are all equal. We will never be free until we are all free.

Our commitment to a vision of a world where women have equal rights can only be achieved by challenging and dismantling the systems that privilege whiteness and favour power and domination over fairness and equity.

As feminists we stand in solidarity with all movements fighting racism and injustice across the world. Our Board, staff and volunteers say with one voice, loud and clear, Black Lives Matter.

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