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Message to women
2010 International women day

Ladies, dear Cameroonian women of all ages and all conditions,

I am pleased to solemnly address this message to you today, the international women's day. For several years in our country, you have taken the habit to always emphasize this day with brightness and merit, but beyond the celebration there is the commemoration of all the famous battles you have fought until now.

The road has been long since the first women battles for the abolition of capitation taxes once imposed to women, through the struggle for the right to work and still today for equal pay. All of this would not have been possible without the action of collectives and other groups of women in our villages and cities. Your battles have been able to join those of other women around the world who, since March 8, 1857 show, but with pride and dignity the results of these hard battles.

Here in Cameroon, every day, you carefully infuse our society with the energy needed for important social changes, although sometimes the results are slow in coming.

I would like to pay tribute to those, the best known as the unheard-of, who enable this progress. To them, we owe the little things and the great - sending girls to school, the fight against female circumcision, the struggle for the establishment and recognition of a way of dressing as the right for women to be respected and to the respect for their body. Within 4 generations, we evolved from the consuming woman as she was called in old times to the woman head of family.



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Today, we can talk about women, not without them but with them, we can talk about their rights; we can talk of their place in all the compartments of life with them.

Ladies, thanks to your leadership and your commitment, new perspectives open every day for the entire Cameroonian Nation. Far from me to think that everything has already been done, but this is the basis from which we must not only act, but especially rebuild our country to be listed in the Second Republic which we constantly call to advent.

You have effectively participated in the drafting of the first page of our history, yet, we have to complete the second set; it's time to put ourselves together. Cameroon Generation 2011 would like, with your support to strengthen the rights of women but, especially, to make them real because, as you know, our country is becoming a graveyard of grand projects.

Cameroon Generation 2011 would like to get out, with all of you and all of us, from the collective poor consciousness and from the angelic tendency of following the herd which twenty years ago led to the creation of the Ministry of Women Affairs even if it doesn't fulfil its most elementary functions.

Ladies, surrounded by my team and the coalition of political parties that support us for the next presidential election in Cameroon, I assure you that, daily goals are set, which meet the requirements you have pointed out, even in great silence: **Security** in an increasingly violent world because, no one gets married if it is to ultimately find abuse and neglect. I pointed it out in my new year's greetings message and I reiterate it here, violence against women must stop and it's the battle of all, men and women. **Women claim for labour** because they are one of the most exposed sections of our population to insecurity. **Women demand dignity** and, this is at the end of the respect we owe to our mothers, wives, sisters and daughters.

Yes, dear compatriots of all conditions and all backgrounds, regardless of the progress that Cameroon has made since 1960 when the French speaking part of our country became independent, the situation of women in our society is still marked by physical and psychological violence made to the woman, a sentence to dependency, inequality and lack of respect of human rights yet listed in the preamble of our Constitution.



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- Ladies, let me not begin a list that could further darken the horizon and hide the progress made so far - however I would point out here that there is a specificity of women's situation in our country, we must take it into account, it must even be measured each time we want to define actions to be taken. It's time!

Taking this specificity into account is not denying the rights of women, nor diminishing the man either. It is rather to create conditions for their effective implementation. How, for example, could the rights to education and to work of the woman be effectively treated in areas where she cannot access them if we do not revisit our feudal and static customs? How can we talk about the work of women if we do not realize that they also handle the bulk of household chores? That it is still them who are the first teachers of our children? That's why we want the opening of nurseries in each municipality and in companies whose size remains to be determined. It's time to commit ourselves to do it.

Ladies, your requirements are a contemporary evolution of our society; it is to the public authority not only to take it into account but also and above all to assume them. I solemnly repeat it here; Cameroon needs you, your leadership and your commitment –

The battle for jobs which is the one of Cameroon Generation 2011, grants more space for youth and women in what we call in our political plan *the plan for the future for women and youth*.

The role of a government is to inspire everyone with a dynamic, ours is here, we expose it to you every day without naivety, without sectarianism and without a priori: a hand on the heart and the look up, I wish to reiterate here that it is the only way for our country if it wants to allow a balance between the world of production and the world of demand. The government that I want for our country will to take its responsibilities.



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Today, we have to take action to build a fair Cameroon. If women praise the bravery and the virility shown by their men, they are reluctant, that I know, to be the preferred victims of violence which does not really tell its name. Yes, they reject a society in which rape, to only name that, is erected as a right of the conqueror and as a matter of fact alas, remains marked of I don't know what excuses. Yes, we have to get out of the cliché that made our mothers, our wives, our sisters and daughters, women from the shadows, who are the first to wake up in the morning and the last to go to bed late in the night. Dear compatriots, I would like to end without mentioning with you, some names and facts which must be written down into our collective memory, sometimes transcend us for, the noblest acts must be guided so that they are fed by their breath. I think that Queen Etémé of the Eton people, I think of Sita Bella, the first woman journalist, filmmaker and pilot of our country, yes they have inspired many generations.



Let me remind to our memory, now that hatred and resentment fuelled by the regime settle, let me remind, to our collective memory, the athlete Cécile Ngo Miyemeck of late memory, who was the first athlete to decline offers of countries other than ours to bring back an Olympic medal here in our land, Cameroon. To all these figures forever planted in our land to constantly fertilize it, I would like to say that today's women and us are proud of yesterday's victories, they help them enjoy today's ones, and build bridges of tomorrow's ones, the legacy we leave to our children.

Happy women's day to you ladies, it is from you that we expect the best score for a long life for peace, labour and homeland in our country.

It is with you that Cameroon should live upright and proud forever.

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