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Normative Approach to Curb Violence against Women under the International Law

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Abstract

One of the most ubiquitous abuses of human rights in the world today is violence against women, which affects every aspect of society at every level. Such violence is regarded as a systemic, pervasive, and widespread violation of human rights that primarily affects women because they are women. However, there is a legal gap that exposes women to assault on a global scale. There is presently no legally binding international agreement that outright forbids such violence, demands for its abolition, or requires that all types of violence against women be made illegal. The current chapter examines the benefits and drawbacks of legal tools, the operation of monitoring systems, and the findings and jurisprudence that follow. A new United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Violence Against Women, or alternatively an Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, is suggested as a way to close the gap. The normative agenda that is required to address the promotion of a life free from violence for women, the duty of states to act with due diligence in the elimination of all forms of violence against all women, would include a new Convention or Optional Protocol.

Keywords: *Violence against Women, Normative Gap, Conventions, Treaties, Optional Protocol.*

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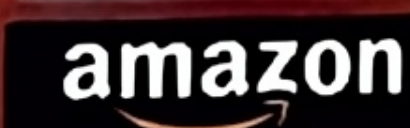
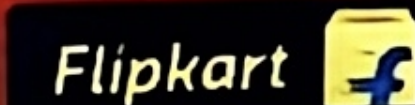
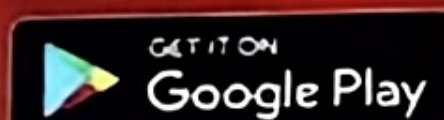
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