Decree 1895/2015


Buenos Aires, 15 September 2015

HAVING REVIEWED File No. 60.595/2011 of the Registry of the then MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND WORSHIP, and

CONSIDERING:

That according to Article 1 of the UNITED NATIONS CHARTER, one of the purposes of the Organization is to maintain international peace and security.

That the 1995 BEIJING DECLARATION AND PLATFORM FOR ACTION recognizes that women’s full participation in all efforts for conflict prevention and resolution is essential to the maintenance and development of peace and security.

That the CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN (CEDAW) provides that the full and complete development of a country, the welfare of the world and the cause of peace require the maximum participation of women on equal terms with men in all fields.

That although women play an important role in conflict prevention and resolution and in peace maintenance, they continue to be underrepresented at decision-making levels.

That according to the INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON THE PREVENTION, PUNISHMENT AND ERADICATION OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, “CONVENTION OF BELÉM DO PARA,” violence against women constitutes a violation of their human rights and fundamental freedoms, and impairs or nullifies the observance, enjoyment and exercise of such rights and freedoms.
That women and girls suffer disproportionately the consequences of armed conflict and face specific risks as a result of their gender.

That in the MILLENNIUM DECLARATION, approved by the UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY on 8 September 2000, States undertook a commitment to spare no effort to ensure that children and all civilian populations that suffer disproportionately the consequences of natural disasters, genocide, armed conflicts and other humanitarian emergencies are given every assistance and protection so that they can resume normal life as soon as possible.

That, recognizing the need to guarantee the protection of women in armed conflict situations and the importance of maximizing their participation in all peace and security initiatives, the UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL adopted Resolution 1325 (2000), the first International Law instrument dealing with conflict and conflict resolution from a specific women’s rights perspective.

That following the adoption of Resolution 1325 (2000), the UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL adopted Resolutions No. 1820 (2008), 1888 (2009), 1889 (2009) and 1960 (2010), which expanded its scope.

That the Government of the ARGENTINE REPUBLIC, through the MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WORSHIP, promoted the implementation of Resolution 1325 (2000) and supplementary resolutions.

That for the ARGENTINE REPUBLIC, implementing the set of UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL Resolutions on Women, Peace, and Security is among the commitments undertaken under various international instruments for the protection of women’s human rights, most of which have constitutional rank.

That the UNITED NATIONS DEPARTMENT OF PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS selected Argentina to carry out a Pilot Plan in the Region for implementation of Resolution 1325 (2000).
That for the purpose of carrying out this commitment, the SPECIAL REPRESENTATION FOR INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S ISSUES of the MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WORSHIP was established as a focal and articulation point among the various government agencies involved in Women, Peace, and Security issues, and the “First Regional Workshop for the Development of a Gender Policy in the Framework of Humanitarian Peacekeeping and Aid Operations” was held.

That the MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, through Resolution No. 1226, dated 21 October 2008, approved the “ACTION PLAN IN THE FIELD OF DEFENCE FOR EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF A GENDER PERSPECTIVE IN THE FIELD OF INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS.”

That in October 2011, the SPECIAL REPRESENTATION FOR INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S ISSUES of the MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WORSHIP called on all agencies involved in Women, Peace, and Security issues and representatives of civil society to take part in a participatory process for the purpose of contributing to the design of a first draft of an Action Plan for implementation of Resolution 1325 (2000).

That as a result of said process, an agreement was reached on a Draft “NATIONAL ACTION PLAN OF THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1325 (2000) ET SEQ.,” which was approved by the National Council of Women, the MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WORSHIP, the MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, the MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS, the MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND TRANSPORT, the MINISTRY OF LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY, the MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, the MINISTRY OF HEALTH, and the MINISTRY OF ECONOMY AND PUBLIC FINANCE.

That the General Directorate of Legal Affairs of the MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WORSHIP has taken the steps incumbent upon it.

That this decree is issued in exercise of the authority conferred by Article 99, section 1 of the NATIONAL CONSTITUTION.
Therefore,

THE PRESIDENT OF THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC

DECREES:

Article 1 - The “NATIONAL ACTION PLAN OF THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1325 (2000) ET SEQ.” is approved and is made an integral part hereof as an APPENDIX.

Article 2 - The NATIONAL EXECUTIVE, through each of the entities involved in the Plan approved in Article 1, will promote actions within the scope of its competence in order to comply with the commitments undertaken in the Plan.

Article 3 - The MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WORSHIP will coordinate a follow-up and monitoring mechanism for this Plan with the rest of the entities involved.

Article 4 - This Decree is to be communicated, published, given to the National Directorate of the Official Register, and archived. — FERNÁNDEZ DE KIRCHNER. — Aníbal D. Fernández. — Héctor M. Timerman. — Agustín O. Rossi. — María C. Rodríguez.

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