



For the Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco

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*“The Council for Ethnic Minorities is pleased to join the Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco to in marking the International Day for the elimination of violence against women. Currently, the Council for ethnic minorities is working on their new recommendations regarding employment-oriented initiatives for minority women. The council believes in education as part of the fight for equality and independence of minority women. By helping women claiming their freedom, giving them tools on how to break free from negative social constraints and violence, they will more likely be able to stand up for themselves and be good role models to their kids. These women should be met with respect from society and offered the best possible opportunities to start a new and better life.*

*The showdown with oppressive values of women must start from below but cannot be the only thing done. We, as a society, have a responsibility to create the best conditions for women who wishes to break away from violence or negative social constraints.*

*The Council for Ethnic Minorities regards the fight for elimination of violence against women as one of the most pressing. But it is important to remember that violence does not only present itself physically.*

*The Council will in the future continue to focus on improving women's rights.”*

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Halima El Abassi is chairwomen for the Council for Ethnic Minorities in Denmark. The Council for Ethnic Minorities is an independent state-funded council whose main purpose is to counsel the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Integration in questions regarding refugees, immigrants and integration.