

**London 2012: Justice for Women protests against the Olympic Movement's failure to effectively implement the principle of equality of men and women and the abandonment of the Olympic Charter's neutrality and its universal principles when it comes to women athletes from Islamic states.**

- Worst example: whilst Saudi Arabia's banning of female athletes, and veiled athletes from Islamic states contradict the Charter's neutrality and non discrimination principles, the IOC betrays women's rights in order to please Islamism, though pretending to be 'inclusive' towards them.

**See below the 7 demands addressed to IOC.**

- Among these demands : to pay homage to women pioneers in sport, the Marathon Gold Medal should be given to both the male and female marathon winners by IOC president, and not only to the male winner.

**On July 25<sup>th</sup>**, in conjunction with the opening of the London Olympics, 'London 2012 : Justice for Women' is organising a protest beginning with a public meeting on the Hispaniola (moored near Embankment tube station) from 10.30 am-13.00 pm, focusing on the concepts of *neutrality versus politico-religious symbols*, and how women's rights to equality and universalism are being ignored and denied.

**Speakers at the meeting** include representatives of European Women's Lobby, European Secularist Movement and Women's Right Defence from countries under Islamic Law.

Drinks, sandwiches and a New-Orleans jazz band will be made available at the meeting.

After the public meeting, delegates accompanied by the jazz band will proceed to a festive and symbolic burial of the Olympic Charter and its abandoned principles, and also to recall the "7 demands for Justice for women in the Olympics".

**For more information on the action and for the public meeting, contact:**

Annie Sugier

Président and Spokesperson

Ligue du Droit International des Femmes and French Coordination for the European Women's Lobby

6 Place Saint-Germain des Prés, Paris 75006, France

Tel : + 33 (0)6 38 39 42 92

site internet CLEF: [www.clef-femmes.fr](http://www.clef-femmes.fr)

LDIF : <http://www.ldif.asso.fr>

[Annie.sugier@gmail.com](mailto:Annie.sugier@gmail.com)

Anne-marie Lizin

Responsible of "HO CRINT", in Ligue du droit international des femmes/Paris

[www.lizin.org](http://www.lizin.org)

Maryam Namazie

Spokesperson

One Law for All

BM Box 2387

London WC1N 3XX, UK

Tel: + 44 (0) 7719166731

[onelawforall@gmail.com](mailto:onelawforall@gmail.com)

[www.onelawforall.org.uk](http://www.onelawforall.org.uk)

---

## **(\*) London 2012: Justice for Women 7 Demands**

### **Three demands against classical gender discrimination:**

1. Parity: within Olympic disciplines and events
2. Decision-making bodies: at least 20% of women
3. Homage and visibility: the IOC President should give the Gold medal both to the male and the female marathon winners

### **Three demands against sexual segregation:**

4. No more male only delegations
5. No more delegations wearing politico-religious symbols
6. IOC should no longer support international segregation Games for women organized by Tehran

### **A more global demand to "build a better world"**

7. Fight against: stereotypes (sexism, homophobia, transphobia), segregation Olympics/ Paralympics, prostitution around the Olympics