

# AS FEMINIST WOMEN, HEIRS OF ALL THOSE WHO FOUGHT FOR OUR RIGHTS, confronting the international movement which leads to female erasure,

## WE DENOUNCE THAT

**THERE IS AN INTENT TO INTRODUCE IN OUR LEGISLATION** the unscientific concepts of identity and gender expression, thus making sex-based rights irrelevant.

**SEX IS THE BASIS OF THE DISCRIMINATION** and violence that we suffer as women. Removing the sex category to replace it with a self-perceived gender is an act of misogyny.

**BY ELIMINATING SEX AS A LEGAL CATEGORY,** all policies to combat the structural inequality that women suffer become irrelevant.

**THE SPANISH GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE ACT AND THE EQUALITY ACT** are voided and deactivated if sex as a basis for violence and inequality is removed by law.

**GENDER** – the feminine or masculine aspects attributed to sex – is a system of oppression. Gender is the cultural and social tool that tells women what stereotypes they should submit to and what roles they should adopt.

**DESCRIBING GENDER AS A FELT IDENTITY** allows us to say that when people do not conform to the stereotypes and gender roles imposed on them it is an indicator that they were born in the "wrong body". This is a mistaken and unscientific belief.

**UNDER THE FALLACY** that one may have been born in the "wrong body", girls and boys are being driven to take hormones and undergo unnecessary surgeries. And this is child abuse.

**BOYS AND GIRLS ARE BEING TRANSMITTED DEEPLY SEXIST IDEAS** based on unscientific beliefs, according to which there are games for girls and boys, different interests for girls and boys. If these games and interests do not respond to sexist stereotypes it is, according to these false beliefs, because their brain ("pink or blue") does not correspond to biological sex.

**FOR EXPOSING THE MISOGYNIST** and reactionary ideology behind these false concepts, feminist activism is being openly persecuted. We therefore expressly proclaim that feminism cannot be confused with queer postulates, let alone replaced by queerness.

**ADVOCATES OF "GENDER IDENTITY" POLICIES** use the same lobbying tactics in all countries, which include policy impositions that are coercive against women.

**LOBBIES** that want to implement these "gender identity" policies promote hiding the articulation of these laws and their consequences for women in particular and citizens in general from the public, political and media democratic debate.

# We therefore, **DECLARE THAT**

**Feminism is not a theory of individual identities or desires.**

The critical feminist perspective allows us to affirm that "gender identity" is only the new category from which **public exclusion and legal irrelevance of women is to be materialised.**

Denying sex-based rights and **universalizing gender as something liberating** is a resounding success of the patriarchy, since the only certainty is that pain, violence and injustice are gender-based and that this violence and injustice are suffered by women because they were born women.

We will not stand idly and watch **how queer narrative denies the specific characteristics of women.** According to this misogynist storytelling, there is no gender-based violence, we are not the active subject of feminism, there is no biological sex, we are not women but "cis women", we are not pregnant women but "pregnant bodies", we are not a social group but a collective.

We denounce this queer narrative that pretends that women, and society in general, have to accept **unstable, permeable and fluid categories** - as is the concept of "gender identity" - expecting moreover that we see ourselves represented in these categories.

We reject that under the accusation of "transphobia", we must accept a new social contract by which **we are made invisible.** We claim that this imposition is a patriarchal one.

We reject that "felt gender" replaces sex-based category in **policies for women's equality.**

**We claim that** if sex category is removed from the legal sphere, the specific protection of women disappears from the laws; if it disappears from the statistics, data affecting women are ignored; if sex is irrelevant in sport, fraud and foul play are encouraged; if women's safe spaces (shelters, toilets, changing rooms, prisons...) are not protected on the basis of sex, the security gained by women is put at risk.

**The Alliance Against the Erasure of Women** strongly rejects any attempt to erase women by making "sex" category invisible as an axis of oppression. **We reject the idea that "gender" corresponds to intimate experiences; we reject deleting the meaning of the word "women".**

**NEITHER IGNORANCE NOR FEAR CAN POSTPONE OUR DUTY AS FEMINISTS TO DENOUNCE WOMEN'S ERASURE LAWS.**

**AGAINST THE ERASURE OF WOMEN, FEMINIST REBELLION. JOIN US!**

**THE ALLIANCE AGAINST THE ERASURE OF WOMEN** is a feminist platform created to defend our sex-based rights and to unmask the misogynist policies according to which being a woman is a feeling.