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## FGM in the News

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Raising Our Voices on FGM



There is no word to describe  
how much pain I feel,

### Nairobi: MPs to Raise Money For the Surgical Repair of FGM

The MPs, drawn from seven countries in Africa, met in Nairobi last week, where they also declared to harmonise their legislations and coordinate interventions to accelerate the abandonment of FGM in the region.

## Kilimanjaro: Police Officer Takes on Mountain Climb to Support FGM Survivors

A WEST Midlands Police officer has taken on one of the world's toughest mountain climbs to raise money for a charity supporting survivors of Female Genital Mutilation (FGM).

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## Eritrea: UNICEF Playing Exemplarily Role in Combating FGM

Eritrea is playing an exemplary role in eradicating FGM and that harmful practices will no more exist in the country in the near future, according to Ms. Rania Zakie, Representative of the UNICEF in Eritrea.

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## India: A Community Divided

One such issue is the practice of khatna — loosely translated, it means cutting — or as the community terms it more formally, khafz, female circumcision.

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## UK: Jailing Parents for FGM 'unlikely to benefit the child'

An English police force has come under fire for claiming the prosecution of parents who allow female genital mutilation (FGM) of their children is "unlikely to benefit the child."

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## UK: Doctor Cleared Over FGM Says Women Should Be Free to Have Intimate Surgery

Professor David Veale was placed under a three-year Met investigation after another senior doctor complained to police that his involvement in a clitoris removal operation on the 33-year-old woman appeared to breach the law on [female genital mutilation](#).

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## USA: Democrats Support Bill That Would Legalise FGM

"If the ERA passes, female circumcision wouldn't merely be legal — it'd be a right protected by the U.S. Constitution."


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