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FGM in the News

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"Woman" by Farah Gabdon



Burkina Faso: Réparation clitoridienne



L'AVFE et Clitoraid lancent une campagne de restauration des clitoris des femmes excisées. Selon madame Traoré Mariam de l'AVFE, cette campagne vise à encourager les femmes excisées à se faire restaurer pour leur épanouissement.

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Nyaboute Foundation, a young foundation, held its first training workshop for over 35 young women on FGM/C, at the Nehemia Nursery School in Brufut, Kombo North District over the weekend. The forum brought together participants from various communities in Brufut, to enlighten the young women to understand about the danger of FGM/C.

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Kenia: How I Almost Lost my Life Fighting FGM



It was at university that I learnt that female circumcision was actually FGM, a form of violence meted on girls. This broke my heart but also gave me a fresh perspective about the practice. On studying online resources about FGM, I understood why my mother was against it.

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Sudan: Sudan's Women of Change



In eastern Sudan's Gadarif city there is a school with a special mission. It is educating the country's future midwives to play a role in eradicating Female Genital Mutilation or FGM.

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Tanzania: Hope for FGM victims as surgery reverses side effects

The surgery is aimed at mitigating long term effects and makes it easy for women to regain confidence and enjoy their marriages. Surgeons carrying out the procedure revealed that the operation aids to stop pain, help women regain sexual



West Africa: Ghana & Togo Partner to Eliminate Female Genital Mutilation



An Excisors Reconversion Seminar on the practice of FGM sought to eliminate FGM by helping excisors to get them to sincerely confess, give up the practice and get converted. More than 70 participants, comprising three different categories, former FGM excisors, assistants and mothers of FGM victims from Ghana and Togo attended the seminar.

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India: Centre Must Outlaw FGM



Recently, the Supreme Court sought response from the Centre on a petition to outlaw FGM in India. Earlier this week, Lawyers Collective in collaboration with Speak Out on FGM proposed a legislative framework to ban FGM. The Indian government must pay heed and take steps to ban FGM as it is unconstitutional and an egregious violation of human rights.

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UK: 'Fifty Girls' Taken From UK for FGM



50 girls taken from a UK to Somalia for womanlike genital twisting are being investigated by Scotland Yard. The girls were pronounced to be aged 11 to 17 and with their mothers or grandmothers.

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US: ACLU Opposes Maine Bill Criminalizing Female Genital Mutilation

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HAVE UNDERGONE OR ARE AT RISK OF FGM/CSHARE AND SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT
ZERO TOLERANCE DAY FEBRUARY 6

The American Civil Liberties Union launched a vocal opposition this week against a Maine bill criminalizing female genital mutilation (FGM).

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