

## **NGO Alternative Report for LOIPR on the 7<sup>th</sup> Periodic Report of Japan for Human Rights Committee, July 2017 by WAM**

Link: [http://comfortwomenaction.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/UN\\_CCPR\\_Japan\\_NGO-Report\\_WAM.pdf](http://comfortwomenaction.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/UN_CCPR_Japan_NGO-Report_WAM.pdf)

OVERVIEW: WAM (Women's Active Museum on War and Peace) is a Japanese non-government civic organization that has been making efforts to raise awareness in the Japanese society of the "comfort women" issue, as one of Japan's unresolved war crimes as well as an example of systematic sexual violence against women during armed conflict around the globe that is still going on. WAM has been submitting NGO's alternative report for various UN bodies, providing an alternative view and interpretation from the reports submitted by the Japanese government on the issues relating to women's human rights such as the "comfort women" issue. In this report, WAM examines and evaluates the character, nature of the payment, apology, reactions of the survivors, and more, regarding the announcement of the 2015 Japan-South Korea bilateral Agreement and poses questions whether this Agreement meets the international standards that are used to "resolve" the similar scale of war crime and crime against humanity.