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## ADDRESSING SEXUAL AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE IN CONFLICT AND POST-CONFLICT SETTINGS: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL STRATEGIES

*Presented by the War Crimes Research Office & the Women and International Law Program, with the Royal Netherlands Embassy*

**February 1, 2012  
8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**American University Washington College of Law  
4801 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Room 603**

Sexual violence during conflict and periods of repression is a problem of enormous magnitude in every region of the globe. While certainly not exclusive to Africa, sexual violence has reached epidemic proportions in many parts of the continent, including Rwanda, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Sierra Leone, and Sudan. This half-day conference will address the challenges women face in conflict and post-conflict settings, as well as the investigation and prosecution of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) in times of conflict, mass violence, or repression. The event will feature:

- a keynote conversation between Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues **Melanne Verveer** and Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands **Renée Jones-Bos**;
- a panel discussion on the prosecution of SGBV by international and hybrid tribunals; and
- a panel examining national and international efforts to address SGBV in the DRC.

**Full agenda and list of speakers will be available shortly**

*General registration required (no charge)*

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