

## **Network June 14 – Ni Una Menos**

We are the *Ni Una Menos* collective from Zurich. We came together during the major feminist strike year of 2019. Since then, we have been fighting in many ways against femicides.

This year, 15 women have been killed in Switzerland.  
15 femicides.

Behind every femicide is a woman who was brutally torn from her life.

Behind every femicide is a daughter, sister, mother, grandmother, granddaughter, cousin, friend, neighbor.

Behind every femicide is one of us.

Behind every murdered woman is a story.

But these stories are made invisible by the state, politics, and the media. We are fighting against that.

Because: **No femicide should be invisible!**

Femicides are the deadliest expression of a patriarchal society in which women and genderqueer people are devalued and exploited daily in many ways.

Patriarchy does not rule alone. Hand in hand with racism and capitalism, it oppresses us.

That's why today, on June 14, we once again accuse this patriarchal system — a system in which almost every week a FLINTA person (women, lesbians, intersex, non-binary, trans, agender) is killed in Switzerland.

We accuse the perpetrators who believe they can decide over us, our bodies, and our lives. It doesn't matter how we dress, how we want to live, whether we want to separate or are simply not interested in you. **You are responsible for your actions.**

We accuse the state that tolerates this violence and even perpetrates it.

The state and the police protect the perpetrators and the system instead of the affected individuals.

We accuse the media that profit from our suffering with sensationalist reporting.

They look for individual, often racist motives to explain femicides.

But the perpetrators have only one thing in common: **They are men who think they can control our bodies and lives.**

To the media we say once again: **Take responsibility!**

We accuse all other accomplices of this system.

All those who look away.

We accuse those who profit from the unpaid care work of FLINTA persons.

Those who blame FLINTA persons for staying in violent relationships due to financial dependency.

We accuse all those who refuse to acknowledge that FLINTA people are still being oppressed, exploited, and killed!

**We don't want to be afraid of being killed.  
We want to live. And we want to live how we choose.**

We cannot rely on the ruling institutions — they themselves are shaped by patriarchal, racist, and capitalist structures, they reproduce them and profit from them.

Let's show them that nothing works without us.

Because without us, there's no childcare, no nursing, no education — in short: no underpaid or unpaid care work.

**Let's strike together for a better future.**

**Striking is a form of feminist self-defense.**

Feminist self-defense means standing together.

Feminist self-defense means empowerment through self-confidence.

Feminist self-defense means solidarity between FLINTAQ.

Feminist self-defense means not accepting attacks, but striking back collectively.

Feminist self-defense means: **NI UNA MENOS!**

Let us unite our rage and strength and fight back together.

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### **(Performance)**

The struggle of Gisèle Pelicot is our struggle too.

Let us make it visible and audible together – with a performance by Femtak, a queer-feminist dance collective from Basel.

Angrily and loudly we respond (as in the video):

**Assez enduré,  
assez protégé,  
il est temps,  
la honte doit changer de camp  
(Enough endured,  
enough protected,  
it is time,  
shame must change sides)**

As a collective, we call for **collective self-defense**:

**We resist!** (*Fists in the air*)

**We strike back!** (*Strike the air three times*)

**And together, we kick patriarchy away!** (*Kick*)

**And now, all together... repeat 3 times**

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**June 14 shows how many of us are in solidarity and taking to the streets.**

**Together, we are strong.**

All those who are here today, all those who can't be here:

**We are all *Ni Una Menos*.**

**Chant: Ni Una Menos – Vivas nos queremos! (3x)**

**END**