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The background of the cover features a grid of stylized female figures, similar to the ones in the logo, arranged in rows and columns. The figures are black and white, with the central figure being white and the two flanking figures being black. The grid is composed of 12 rows and 6 columns of figures, with the central figure in each row being white and the two flanking figures being black. The figures are arranged in a way that they appear to be walking or standing in a line.

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The Caucasus Women's Network has been set up and operates on the basis of the umbrella organization International Center on Conflict and Negotiation (ICCN).

The research represents a first attempt to describe women's rights and the violation of women's rights in Georgia in psychological and sociological terms rather than from the legal perspective. It aims at the revelation of the hidden links between women's discrimination and human values, opinions and behavior.

The research highlighted a number of problems important to Georgian population. It should be mentioned that the significance and acute character of the problems also manifested itself during face to face relationship with respondents. Female respondents told the interviewers about the cases of their unfair and discriminatory treatment. The completion of the questionnaire form, given formulation of the problem and the fact that someone got interested in investigating their own experience raised hope in the women. „Will it help?“ – was their question.

All this once again points to the fact that the problems related to women are definitely painful for Georgia community. They should be studied in a comprehensive way to elaborate research-based special recommendations for the government, international organizations and other interested persons.

We hope that new data obtained in this field will help the society to realize the relevant problems and become better aware of its attitude towards them. This will represent a first step towards their solution.