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THE CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL POLICY ANNOUNCES ITS SPONSORSHIP OF WOMEN FOR WEAPONS TRADE TRANSPARENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Center for International Policy (CIP) announced today that **Women for Weapons Trade Transparency (W²T²)** will be joining the Center for International Policy as a sponsored program as of October 2, 2023.

“We are thrilled to welcome this incredible program to CIP,” said **Nancy Okail, CIP’s President and CEO**. “Women for Weapons Trade Transparency performs indispensable work on the links between domestic and foreign arms sales and brings exciting new strategies around corporate and government divestment from the weapons industry. This addition will take CIP’s already-impressive engagement on the arms trade to an entirely new level. We are honored that W²T² is joining us and bringing their community-leading expertise.”

Women for Weapons Trade Transparency is a cohort of scholars, students, and activists committed to producing quality research on weapons sales and advocating for corporate and government divestment from war. The mission of W²T² is to promote the accessibility of information about the international weapons trade through the publication of easily interpretable research, to champion disruptors, and collectively advocate for humane, sustainable, progressive, and anti-imperialist policy. W²T² joins CIP with support from the Carnegie Corporation of New York for a research and education project on the 1122 Program, which contributes to a harmful cycle of police militarization in the United States and state sanctioned violence abroad.

“Joining the Center for International Policy is a pivotal milestone for W²T²” said **Lillian Mauldin, Founding Board Member at W²T² and CIP Research Fellow**. “Our team has already made groundbreaking strides in progressive policy spaces even though we’ve essentially been operating as part time volunteers spread across multiple time zones for the past three years. I am in awe of my colleagues every day, and we are all so thankful for this opportunity. I truly believe that joining CIP as a sponsored program will exponentially increase our impact and allow us to enact change we never thought possible.”



CIP has been a leading progressive voice on U.S. foreign affairs for nearly 50 years. The Center works to make a peaceful, just, and sustainable world the central pursuit of U.S. foreign policy by promoting greater cooperation, transparency, and governmental accountability. Critical to this mission is the inclusion of diverse perspectives and the integration of new voices into research and policymaking circles.

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