A year has passed since the abhorrent murder of George Floyd. His death was a catalyst that put racist violence and persistent injustices under a global spotlight. Alongside the cases of Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery and countless others, many organisations, including Women Working Worldwide (WWW), shared statements condemning the murders and other expressions of institutional racism in the USA and elsewhere in the world. However, our awareness and work around antiracism did not start or end with a statement on this tragedy, and a year on we would like to reiterate this.

As an organisation focusing on gender equality, we understand that this cannot be realised without racial equality and justice, or without listening, learning, and unlearning. For over 30 years WWW has focused on raising awareness of injustices throughout the global supply chain, working in partnership with our sisters and brothers globally to strive for transformational change. We have taken, and will continue to take, a stand against any form of prejudice and racism, as part of our commitment to a vision of a world where all women have equal rights. This vision is one which demands that systems which prioritise whiteness and power are dismantled.

Our Board, staff and volunteers continue to say with one voice, loud and clear, Black Lives Matter.

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