



Kosovo Women's Network

Serving, Protecting and Promoting the Rights of Women and Girls

Press release

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KWN Demands Urgent Response by Justice Institutions to the Rape Case of 12-Year-Old Girl in Kamenica

Through this press release, Kosovo Women's Network (KWN) supports the request of the Basic Prosecution in Gjilan to take detention measures on M.J. who is suspected of raping a 12-year-old girl in Kamenica in October of this year.

The suspect being detained for 48 hours, and given the severity and sensitivity of the crime, we call on the Court of Gjilan to treat this case in accordance with the Criminal Code of Kosovo, Article 227 for the offense "Rape".

KWN specifically requests that this case to be treated with gender sensitivity, as enshrined in the Istanbul Convention, and to provide appropriate psycho-social treatment to the victim.

We also announce through this press release that KWN will follow the case closely and seek justice.

KWN will not stop until violence against girls and women is not treated only as daily news or as a private matter.