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BASED POLITICAL VIOLENCE: AN
ANALYSIS BASED ON POLICIES ISSUED BY
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ABSTRACT

This research explores the effectiveness of Latin American responses to political gender-based violence, taking the policies and guidelines issued by the United Nations as a point of reference. Adopting a feminist and intersectional theoretical approach, the study analyzes both international and regional legal frameworks, along with their implementation in contexts characterized by structural inequalities. Using a qualitative methodology based on document analysis, legal review, and case studies in Ecuador, Colombia, and Argentina, the research identifies important legal progress, as well as major barriers to effective implementation. The findings highlight institutional weaknesses, a lack of concrete guarantees for victims, and persistent cultural obstacles that continue to restrict women's access to public and political spheres. Although UN policies provide valuable tools, their actual impact depends on sustained political commitment and the ability to transform structures that uphold exclusion. The study concludes by emphasizing the need to strengthen comprehensive strategies to ensure women's political participation in violence-free environments.

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Political violence, gender, participation, rights, discrimination, Latin America

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RESUMEN

La presente investigación explora la efectividad de las respuestas latinoamericanas frente a la violencia política de género, tomando como referencia las directrices y políticas emitidas por Naciones Unidas. Desde un enfoque teórico feminista e interseccional, el estudio examina el marco normativo internacional y regional, así como su aplicación en contextos marcados por desigualdades estructurales. Mediante una metodología cualitativa fundamentada en la revisión documental, el análisis normativo y el estudio de casos en Ecuador, Colombia y Argentina, se identifican avances normativos importantes, pero también cuales han sido las principales limitaciones en una implementación efectiva. Entre los hallazgos se destacan la debilidad institucional, la falta de garantías concretas para las víctimas y las barreras culturales que todavía limitan el acceso de las mujeres a las esferas público - políticas. Aunque las políticas de las Naciones Unidas ofrecen herramientas importantes, su impacto real depende del compromiso político y de la capacidad de transformar las estructuras que perpetúan la exclusión. El estudio concluye con la necesidad de fortalecer estrategias que garanticen una participación libre de violencia para las mujeres.

Palabras clave:

Violencia política, género, mujeres, participación, derechos, discriminación, Latinoamérica