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Human rights advocacy - 2004 Shadow Report at CEDAW	Democratic transformation pursuing to change the existing authoritarian system, promotion of economic reforms, and the creation of a strong civil society must become the main condition for improvement of women's lives in Belarus," stated the YWCA of Belarus in the shadow report on their country's implementation of the Convention for the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW). The shadow report, which was prepared with the Women's Independent Democratic Movement (WIDM), was presented to the CEDAW Committee in January 2004. Gender stereotypes, trafficking of women, and violence against women are some of the issues covered in the shadow report which argues that, "true respect of women's human rights has usually been substituted by some sort of financial assistance (by the government).