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Via Amnesty International:

On March 8, people around the country will come together to celebrate International Women's Day 2023 in Canada. It's a global day organized annually that recognizes and celebrates the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women.

But International Women's Day is more important than ever before. Last year, there were alarming assaults on the rights of women in Canada and around the world. Legal protections were also dismantled, and women worldwide faced unprecedented risk.

Without a doubt, achieving gender equality and protecting the rights of women is crucial to post-COVID-19 recovery. Therefore, governments must act decisively to reverse these widening economic inequalities and protect the rights of women.

The world's crises do not impact equally, let alone fairly. The disproportionate impacts on women's and girls' rights are well-documented yet still neglected, when not ignored outright.

- Agnès Callamard, Amnesty's Secretary General

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