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An Outline of Domestic Violence Against Women in the Republic of Cyprus: A Presentation and Critical Analysis of the Magnitude of the Problem and the Profile of Abused Women

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Abstract

This article presents the magnitudes and patterns of domestic violence against women in Cyprus and attempts to describe the psychological, social and cultural profiles of abused women, as these are presented in a series of data collected by the Cyprus Police, the Social Welfare Services and the Association for the Prevention and Handling of Violence in the Family, as well as through studies carried out by the Advisory Committee for the Prevention and Handling of Violence in the Family and the Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies.

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