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CONTACT: Voleine Amilcar voleine_amilcar@itvs.org 415-356-8383, ext 244**ITVS COMMUNITY CINEMA, LADIES HOME JOURNAL, THIRTEEN, AND FORK FILMS TO HOST ONLINE SCREENING FEATURING *WOMEN, WAR & PEACE*, A FIVE PART PBS MINISERIES ABOUT THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN PEACE AND CONFLICT*****Exclusive Sneak Peek to Take Place on ITVS's Livestream in Advance of PBS Broadcast***

San Francisco, CA—What if you looked at war as though women mattered? What if you looked at peace as though women mattered? These two questions are at the heart of a new five-part, five-hour series, [*Women, War & Peace*](#), a comprehensive global media initiative on the changing roles of women in war and peace narrated by actors Matt Damon, Geena Davis, Tilda Swinton and Alfre Woodard. The miniseries is the first broadcast of [*Women and Girls Lead*](#), a three-year public media initiative designed to focus, educate, and connect women, girls, and their allies across the globe to address the challenges of the 21st century. Filmed in conflict zones in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Colombia, and Liberia, *Women, War & Peace* premieres Tuesdays, October 11, 18, 25 and November 1 and 8 at 10 PM ET on PBS (check local listings).

On Thursday, September 29, 6:30-7:30 PM CT [ITVS Community Cinema](#), *Ladies Home Journal*, THIRTEEN, and Fork Films will present an exclusive online screening of *Women War & Peace* on ITVS's [Livestream](#) channel in advance of its television premiere on PBS. The screening will be followed by an online panel discussion with producer Abigail E. Disney and director Gini Reticker. Online participants will receive an opportunity to ask questions and discuss their reactions to the selected scenes with the filmmakers to learn how women, despite suffering unprecedented casualties, are simultaneously emerging as critical partners in brokering peace and as leaders in forging new international laws governing conflict.

The half hour online screening will feature *Women, War & Peace* Episode 3: *Peace Unveiled*. When the U.S. troop surge was announced in late 2009, women in Afghanistan knew that the ground was being laid for peace talks with the Taliban. *Peace Unveiled* follows three women who immediately began to organize to make sure that women's rights don't get traded away in the deal. Tilda Swinton narrates. Premieres October 25, 2011 at 10 PM ET.

Women, War & Peace is a co-production of THIRTEEN and Fork Films in association with WNET and ITVS. Visit: <http://www.pbs.org/wnet/women-war-and-peace/> for more information about the miniseries.

For more information on the online screening and discussion, visit [ITVS's Livestream Channel](#)
For more information about ITVS Community Cinema, visit www.itvs.org/engagement
For more information about the Women and Girls Lead Initiative, visit www.itvs.org/women-and-girls-lead

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