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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S TRIBUNE CENTRE
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IWY/TP IN A NUTSHELL

IWY/TP - to be known as THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S TRIBUNE CENTRE as of (July 1977) and referred to as THE CENTRE in the following descriptive piece - is a continuation of the momentum generated at the International Women's Year Tribune held in Mexico City in 1975. It has developed into a flexible "women's development support resource", attempting to respond to requests that have poured into the office of the IWY Tribune Organizing Committee since the first days after the historic non-governmental meeting was over. The over-all purpose of THE CENTRE therefore, could be characterized as being two-fold:

1. To maintain the momentum generated during the "largest consciousness-raising sessions ever held" - the conferences of International Women's Year, 1975.
2. To encourage and assist where possible, women and women's projects, (particularly those in developing countries), in their efforts to achieve the objectives of the IWY World Plan of Action.

The Tribune Centre seeks to provide a supportive, transnational network responsive to the needs of individuals and groups engaged in "women and development" projects through the following means:

- collects & disseminates project information relating to women and development issues;
- publishes a bi-monthly newsletter distributed without cost to individuals outside the USA as a means of communicating women and development-related information and to encourage the continuing dialogue among women around the world;
- compiles and publishes an annual calendar of women and development-related activities, inc. workshops, seminars, conferences, etc., to alert women to forthcoming events of interest;
- serves as a liaison between groups, individuals, and organizations based at the United Nations and in the New York City area, and international visitors to the UN/NYC vicinity;
- collects & disseminates information regarding resource materials of interest to groups involved with women and development projects;

- assists in the development and production of regional & global resource books related to women and development issues, to assist individuals and groups in the planning and implementation of projects and to encourage the utilization of locally available human and material resources;
- provides technical assistance in the fields of communication and educational activities relating to women and development concerns;
- provides information and communication resources, and assists in the development and production of such resources, to meet the specific needs of individuals, groups, and organizations involved in women and development activities;
- serves as a liaison between researchers/research centres and individuals/organizations involved in implementing women and development activities;
- organizes informal gatherings, workshops and seminars to disseminate information to groups and individuals involved in planning and implementing programmes designed to assist in the integration of women in development;
- assists individuals and groups in locating sources to assist in women and development project implementation;
- maintains close liaison with UN offices to encourage the close collaboration of governmental and non-governmental efforts at all levels in the formulation of integrated approaches to women and developmental issues

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S TRIBUNE CENTRE projects completed or currently underway include:

-a multi media resource package, an outgrowth of the "Integration of Women in Development in the Caribbean" seminar, held June 6-10th, 1977, in Kingston, Jamaica. The resource package is comprised of:

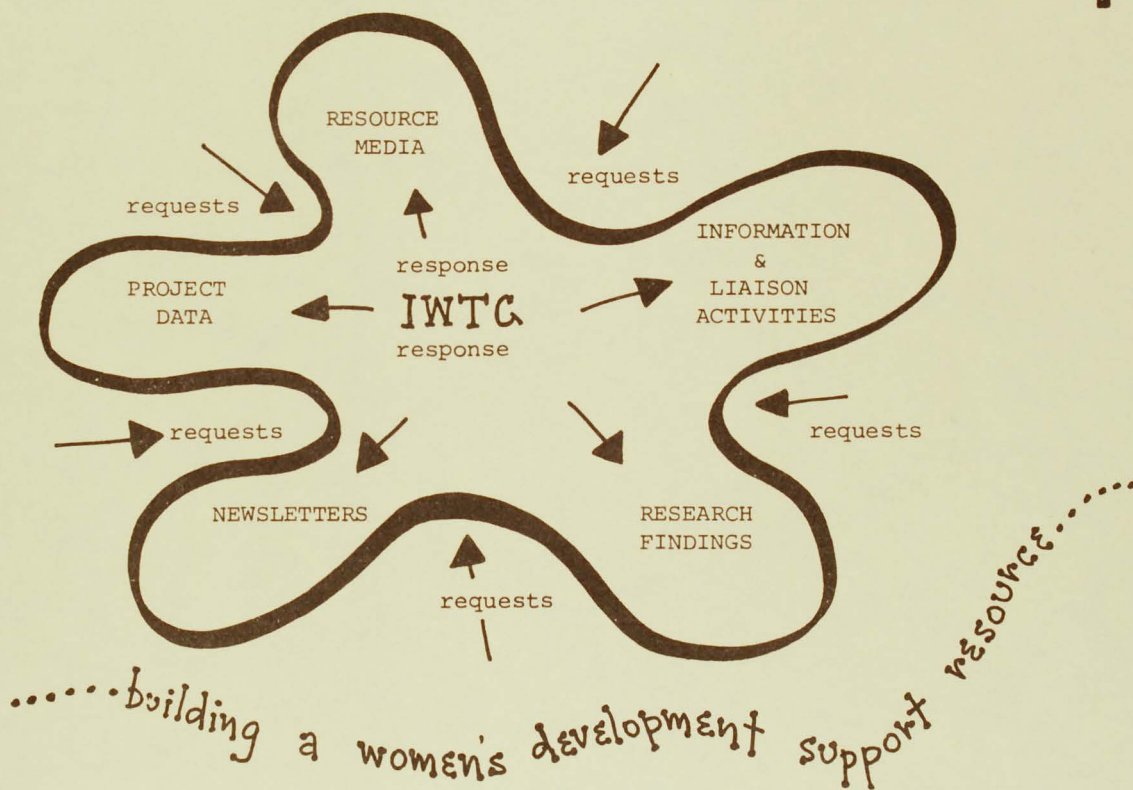
1. Caribbean regional resource book
2. Seminar findings
3. Cassette tape radio programmes of the seminar
4. Slide/tape presentation of conference issues
5. Videotape programmes of the seminar

- publication of a Spanish-language edition of the regular bi-monthly newsletter now being distributed;
- distribution to media personnel of news releases relevant to efforts to raise the status of women in society;
- distribution of slide/tape presentation of issues and images of the IWY Tribune in Mexico City, and translation and adaptation into Spanish;
- * -development and distribution of slide/tape presentation "Women and Development: A Latin American Perspective"



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