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Executive Board Statement on Anti-Asian Violence

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The Executive Board of the Division on Women and Crime condemns the recent acts of violence and hate speech against Asian Americans and the Asian community. There have been nearly 3,800 reported incidents during the pandemic, and women made up 68% of the victims. Hate and bias-related crimes have no place in our community, and any attack on Asians and Asian-Americans and on women is an attack on all. In recent years, Asian and Asian American people have endured a normalization of violence with women facing increasing vulnerability due to sexism, racism, xenophobia, and classism. The Executive Board stands in solidarity with the Asian communities and with women. The normalization of violence against women is what many of us have worked to change within our careers.

We are proud of the contributions made by Asian and Asian American members of our society. As we make progress toward inclusion within our own organization, we lend our support to Asian and Asian American colleagues who continue to advocate for change. We need more voices to ensure our efforts toward inclusion are done accurately. As our society works toward healing on so many fronts, we urge our community to treat each other with kindness and respect, and denounce all acts of hatred.

Executive Board of the DWC