95.5 Resolution Regarding the Needs of Immigrating Women, Victims of Spousal/Family Violence (Note: Whereas clauses not dealt with at AGM).

Whereas, Some immigrating women, residing temporarily in Canada while waiting for Canadian Immigrant status, are

married to Canadian Citizens or landed immigrants who sponsor them; and,

Whereas, It does happen that some of these women are victims of spousal/family violence that remains unreported because

the immigrating women fear the loss of their sponsorship; and,

Whereas, Immigration officers are not required to provide appropriate services for these women, therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that the National Council of Women of Canada urge the Government of Canada to provide sensitivity

training for immigration officers in order to prepare them for more humane processing of cases concerning

women who are not landed immigrants and who are victims of spousal/family violence; and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the National Council of Women of Canada urge the Government of Canada to make it mandatory that

the files of such victims of reported spousal/family violence be processed separate and apart from those

of their spousal/family sponsors.