Kuwait (1)

A committee studying trends at Kuwait University reported that not only is there a higher percentage of females pursuing graduate studies but that their performance is on the whole better than that of their male counterparts. (Middle East Education, May, 1982).

Dr. Badria Al Awadi, Dean of the Law School at Kuwait University, is at the forefront of efforts to win the right to vote for women in Kuwait. Kuwaiti women number about 286,000 (5,000 more than the male population) and regard themselves as the most emancipated in the Gulf states. However, the all-male National Assembly of Kuwait, recently voted down a bill that would have given women the right to vote. (Jordan Times, June, 1982).

A total of over 2,390 Kuwaiti women have graduated from the Teachers Training Institute. Over 400 women teachers completed their studies this year, of whom 60 will teach science and 138 will teach humanities. (Middle East Education, March, 1982).

⁽¹⁾ Quoted from Amideast, Summer 1982