Arab Woman President of The International Women's Democratic League

r. Fatimah Ahmad Ibrahim was elected in the Spring of 1992, as the first Arab woman President of the International Women's Democratic Union since its establishment in 1945. The Union includes 147 women's associations worldwide and has an advisory status with the United Nations Council as well as eleven representatives in various UN commissions. The goals of the Union include improving the status of women and achieving equality. The Union also supports women's liberation in politics and economics in addition to defending justice, democracy and human rights.

Fatimah Ibrahim is a prominent feminist and leader in Sudan. She is the first woman deputy in the Sudanese Parliament, previously the President of the Sudanese Women's Union and the Editor-in-chief of a Sudanese women's magazine "Saout Al-Mara' - The Voice of Women".

Source: "The Arab Woman" newsletter of the Arab Association For Women and Development, Vol. 1, No.2, July 1992. P.O.Box 5118, Amman Jordan.

Special Committee for Women and Development in The Tunisian Parliament

he Tunisian Parliament formed a special committee specializing in "Women and Development" for the purpose of strengthening the role of Tunisian women in national development. The committee will be responsible for reviewing proposals for women in development and participation in economic, social and political sectors.

The committee is presided by Dr. Naziha

Mazhoud, who is also the second deputy of the Speaker of Parliament and the President of the National Association of Tunisian Women.

Source: "Majalat Al-Mara'-The Woman Magazine" No. 78, July 1992, newsletter of the The National Association of Tunisian Women. 56 Bab Banat St., 1008-Tunis, Tunisia.