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English News

UK to introduce measures to stop girls being taken abroad for FGM
Girls who are at risk of being removed from the UK to undergo female genital mutilation will have their passports confiscated so they cannot be taken out of the country, under "unprecedented" legal reforms announced by the government. More...

FGM: more than 1,700 women and girls treated by NHS since April
More than 1,700 women and girls who have undergone female genital mutilation have been treated by the NHS since April, according to the first official figures to be published on the numbers of FGM cases seen by hospitals in England. More...

Egypt’s battle to end female genital mutilation
A court date has been set for a verdict in Egypt's landmark trial in a case of female genital mutilation (FGM). The case follows the death of a 13-year-old girl in June 2013. Her doctor and her father are accused of subjecting her to FGM. More...

Calls for new laws to counter culturally sanctioned crimes
There are strong demands coming from those working with ethnic communities in New Zealand for more specific legislation to help counter culturally justified crimes. More...

Echo: FGM and Saleema Campaign
A recent report from the NCCW (National Council for Child Welfare) documented that the prevalence rate of FGM (Female Gentile Mutilation) nationwide is 65 percent despite the tremendous efforts exerted by official institutions and civil society organizations. But there are disparities between the states in the prevalence rates, the highest at 84.3 percent in River Nile State and 83.4 in the Northern State and then the rate declines in the other states. More...

FGM practitioners ignore calls for end to 'tradition'
Only one of 40 women suspected to be practicing Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) in Tarime District has surrendered to police there. It had been announced on the International Day of the Girl Child (Oct 11) that all persons practicing FGM in the region are to voluntarily lay down their tools or face the law. More...

Africa can end 'child abuse' of FGM by 2035: activists
NAIROBI (Thomson Reuters Foundation) - Africa can end female genital mutilation (FGM) in 20 years, activists said on Friday as they launched a continent-wide campaign, calling the ancient ritual a form of child abuse aimed at controlling women's sexuality. More...

Efua Dorkenoo, who fought female genital mutilation, dies at 65
Efua Dorkenoo, who for more than three decades waged an international campaign to eradicate the practice known as female genital mutilation, a centuries-old practice that affects millions of girls and women in Africa, the Middle East and immigrant communities around the world, died Oct. 18 at a hospital in London. She was 65. More...
The International Network to Analyze, Communicate and Transform the Campaign against FGM/C (INTACT), is an international group of researchers, scholars, and activists committed to bringing scientific evidence to bear on the campaign to end FGM/C. INTACT serves as a forum for FGM/C debate and helps bridge gaps in knowledge and information relevant to FGM/C on the local and the international levels. INTACT helps communicate lessons learned, disseminate research, and promotes the utilization of research findings to assist in the campaign against FGM/C. INTACT is managed by the Population Council.