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Public Lecture*

“Las Madres de la Plaza de Mayo: Breaking the Wall between the Personal and the Political”

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(Las Madres de la Plaza de Mayo)

Honoured guests:
Indonesian women human rights defenders

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Auditorium Gedung M, 4th Floor
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During the Argentine dictatorship known as the Dirty War (1976-1983), thousands of people were systematically abducted by the government in order to eliminate all opposition to the regime. These "disappearances," which the dictatorship never admitted to committing, happened across class and age lines, but most of the kidnapped were young blue-collar workers and students. Despite the fact that associations and meetings of any kind were forbidden, a group of housewife mothers decided to protest the disappearance of their children. They began to gather every Thursday afternoon at the same time in the main square in Buenos Aires, Plaza de Mayo, walking alone or in pairs to avoid being arrested for disorderly conduct and wearing white kerchiefs on their heads to be easily identifiable. Today, more than 30 years after their initial movement, these mothers are still struggling to urge Government to confess and explain what happened to their children and families.