



## Thousands protest in South Africa over rising violence against women

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In response to the rising murder and rape of women in South Africa (41,000 rapes and 2,700 murders between March 2018 and March 2019), and the rape and killing of university student Uyinene Mrwetyana by a Cape Town post office employee, women all over the country responded by blocking the entrance to the World Economic Forum in Cape Town, launching the #AmINext movement and the #SandtonShutdown (or #TheTotalShutDown) protest. They rallied outside Johannesburg Stock Exchange on 13 September 2019, forcing South African President, Cyril Ramaphosa to cancel a trip to the UN world leaders' gathering.

See also <https://www.usnews.com/news/world/articles/2019-09-13/south-african-leader-drops-un-visit-as-women-protest-attacks> [1], <https://www.africanews.com/2019/09/13/south-africa-activists-protest-gender-based-violence/> [2] and <https://www.thesouthafrican.com/news/protest-against-gender-based-violence-emerge-in-sa/> [3]

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