

Oral History Kosovo

Narrator: My uncle's daughter deals with it more but sometimes I said, "Did you ask what kind of a person he is?" Or, "Will he stay there?" Or something, because going to a person's house you don't know, he could be any kind of a person. And we're both women, you know, we don't have strength to protect ourselves if someone attacks us or something. We always go together or sometimes we make our husbands speak for us. Or he came, when he had time he took us there, talked to them, you know, so another man is with us, because it's problematic for us just women. Usually we go alone or something when women call us, as women, there are many that come from abroad and mostly women deal with these things.

Of course, it's scary because you don't know into whose apartment you're going or what it could be or what could happen there. It's not easy safety wise, for example, you have to clean the windows on the eighth floor, you have to clean them outside as well, if you are tired or get dizzy, you can fall. We don't have any kind of safety, you know, even though we don't take very risky jobs. When we see that something is harder we say, "Let's not do it, it's not worth losing our life for 20 euros."