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In this paper, I understand the gender and cold war binaries as one and the same system of binaries. I noticed the erasure of alternatives, projects, narratives, translations and languages through a dichotomy dialectics, especially after 1989. One of the many agents of erasure is universalism: in many cases, what we get through the universalisation of a dichotomic nationalist paradigm relying on misogyny, is only the overinflated provincializing of the said nationalism. Whatever comes as the carrier or a representative of patriarchal hegemony, is the overinflating provincializing of historically dominant masculinity, usually bound to nationalism. This happens in a world where accepted and generalised gender discrimination is constitutive of the general non-egalitarian system of nation states, and is proposed as a pattern sustaining all other inequalities and injustices. This must stop, not only for the sake of women.

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