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and provide for preventive measures, assistance to victims and the reintegration of perpetrators into society. They proposed to launch a regional campaign as a component of the IPU's campaign to sensitize the public to the problem and prompt requisite legislative measures in the region.

In Europe, parliamentarians were made aware of the situation and specific needs of migrant women and the question of gender-based persecution and asylum at a conference on migration and violence against women. They drew up a list of seven practical/follow-up measures for parliaments, including guaranteeing access to the justice system and providing assistance to all women who are victims of violence, irrespective of their nationality or legal status.

The latin American parliaments identified mechanisms for ensuring the effective enforcement of laws to counter violence against women, in particular by examining the budget from a gender perspective and assessing the impact of laws against appropriate indicators. They undertook to make adequate budget allocations to coordinate the activities conducted by all stakeholders involved in combating violence against women and heighten their awareness.

The ability of parliamentarians to convince