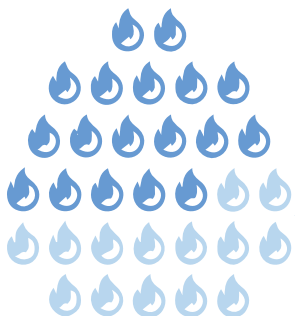


Gender, peace and security



18 of the 32 armed conflicts that took place throughout 2021 occurred in countries where there were serious gender inequalities, with medium, high or very high levels of discrimination

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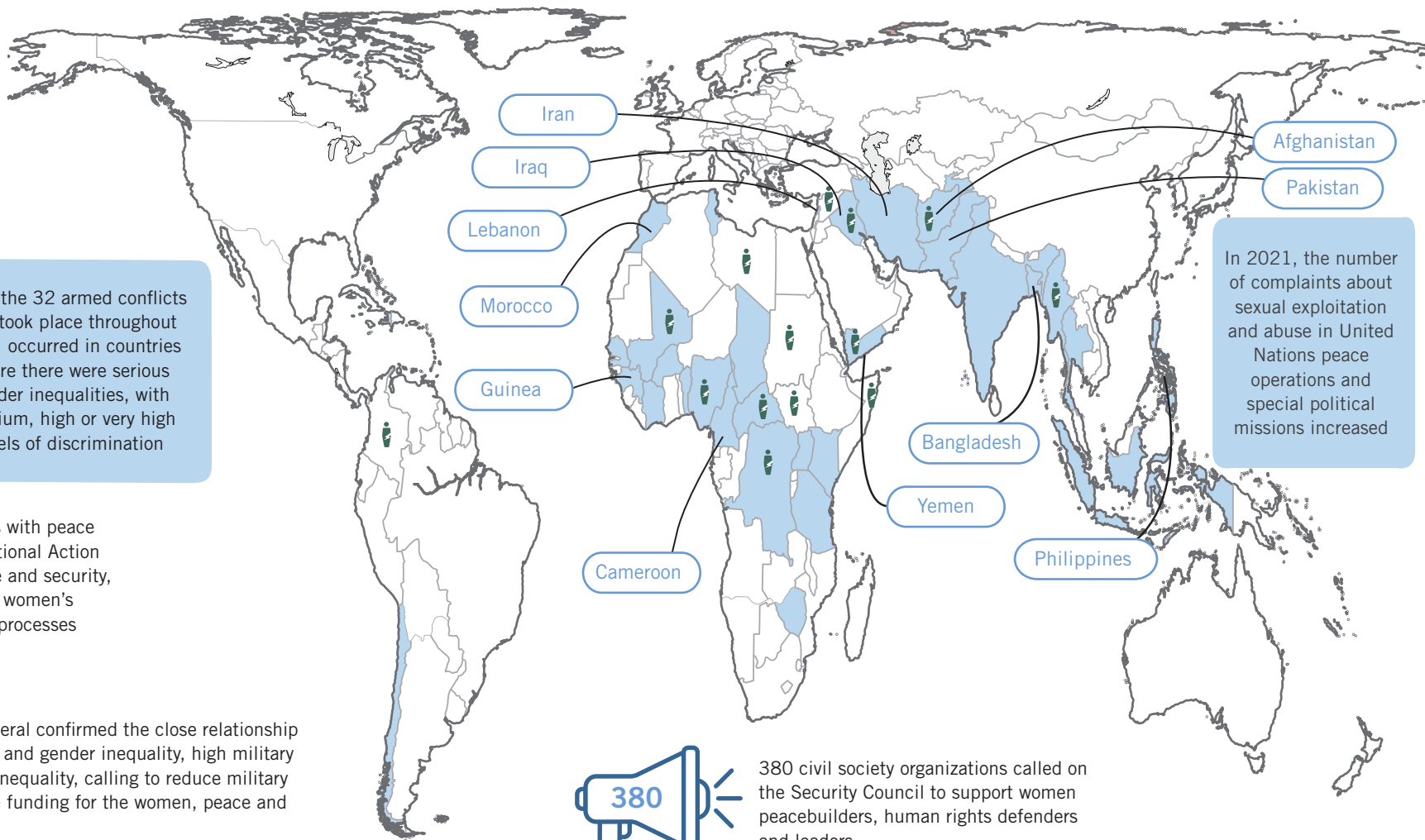
In 2021, 20 countries with peace negotiations had a National Action Plan on women, peace and security, which should promote women's participation in these processes



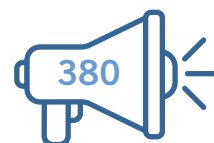
The UN Secretary General confirmed the close relationship between militarisation and gender inequality, high military spending and gender inequality, calling to reduce military spending and increase funding for the women, peace and security agenda



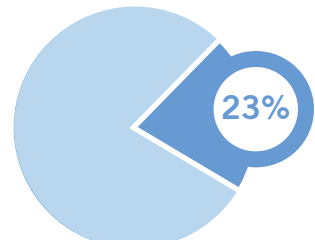
The International Criminal Court found LRA leader Dominic Ongwen guilty of war crimes and crimes against humanity in a sentence that was pioneering for including forced marriage as a crime against humanity and for prosecuting forced pregnancy for the first time



In 2021, the number of complaints about sexual exploitation and abuse in United Nations peace operations and special political missions increased



380 civil society organizations called on the Security Council to support women peacebuilders, human rights defenders and leaders



The UN Secretary General pointed out that in 2020, women represented only 23% of the negotiating delegations in peace processes directed or co-directed by the United Nations

Countries experiencing armed conflict and/or socio-political crisis in 2021 for which gender equality data was available and that took place in contexts with medium, high or very high levels of gender discrimination according to SIGI
 Countries experiencing armed conflict with armed actors who are suspected of sexual violence according to the United Nations