

## Young Brazilian Women Are a Favorite of European Sex Traffickers

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Brazilian women - the majority between 18 and 30 years old - are among the prime victims of international sex traffic, according to the United Nations.

These are women who believe in the fantasy of a better life in Europe and allow themselves to be seduced by miraculous promises.

"Around 90% of the cases are Brazilian women destined for the sex industry in Europe," observed the coordinator of the Crime Prevention and Drug Supply Reduction Program, Reiner Pugs.

To fight this type of crime, Brazilian President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva signed a decree yesterday, June 28, to institute the National Policy to Combat Human Trafficking.

The guidelines of the document establishing the National Policy to Combat Human Trafficking was discussed in the Office of the Attorney-General of the Republic (PGR), in Brazilian capital Brasília.

Legislative members of the Joint Parliamentary Investigatory Commission on the Sexual Exploitation of Children and Adolescents took part in the debate.

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