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## **PM BORNE UNVEILS THE CAMPAIGN " LET'S RISE UP OUR EYES" IN ST LAZARE STATION**

### **FIGHTING WOMEN'S AGAINST VIOLENCE**

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**USPA NEWS** - Today, November 24, 2023, on the occasion of the eve of the International Day of the Fight against Violence against Women, it is the Prime Minister Elisabeth Borne, very attached to this cause who launched the awareness campaign against gender-based violence, from the Paris Saint Lazare train station. This campaign will be deployed throughout France, and aims to denounce gender-based and sexual violence in public transport. This launch from this Saint Lazare station in Paris is highly symbolic because it is the oldest station in France, built in 1837 in front of the Place de l'Europe, with its twenty seven (27) which was the subject of a series twelve paintings created by the famous painter Claude Monet,

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PM Elisabeth Borne ends by exclaiming the slogan, displayed on the wall behind her, entitled "Let's raise our eyes" and "let's react collectively" as if to say that we must no longer remain glued to our smartphone, or lower looking down, out of shame, but to paraphrase the President of the Republic Emmanuel Macron, who had made his first five-year term one of the priorities because defending women from domestic violence and others "Shame must change sides" aiming so that victims no longer feel shame, and dare to humiliate their attackers by denouncing them and reporting them to the authorities. Since 2017, the Government has supported this movement, with Elisabeth Borne, as Prime Minister who recalls today that her approach is part of the continuity of the Grenelle Summit (Large National consultation over a Summit held in 2019).

At the time, the slogan was #LET NOTHING PASS, and led to forty-six (46) Grenelle Summit measures out of fifty-four (54) being in force and some progress has been made. So that each victim can be supported, we have extended the hours of 3919 (French Hotline for women victims of violence), trained the police and gendarmes, and launched an online reporting platform. To better protect victims, we have created emergency accommodation, deployed anti-reconciliation bracelets, serious danger telephones and strengthened protection orders. To ensure that each attack is punished, we have created the offense of sexist contempt and made it easier to file a complaint. To ensure that our action produces results, we have decided, as a matter of responsibility, to devote unprecedented budgetary and human resources to the fight against domestic violence." (Source French government)

### **PM ELISABETH BORNE WELCOMED NGO'S DEFENDING WOMEN'S RIGHT FOR A WORK SESSION & LUNCHEON MATIGNON**

After the Saint Lazare communication operation, in the presence of around ten accredited journalists, and accompanied by members of the SNCF and RATP staff including the PM, Elisabeth had been the CEO between 2015 and 2017, followed a work session continued at Hotel Matignon (French Premiership Ministry) to prepare for the next day marking the international day for the elimination of violence against women

The CEO of SNCF, Jean Pierre Farandou, the Prefect of Paris, Laurent Nunez (Former Deputy for Interior Ministry of), as well as Valerie Pecresse, the President of the Ile de France Region (Paris and suburbs), were also present, alongside of the Prime Minister, accompanied by Ms. Bérangère Couillard, Minister Delegate in charge of Equality between Women and Men and the Fight against Discrimination, Ms. Dominique Faure, Minister Delegate in charge of Territorial Communities and Rurality and Ms. Clement Beaune, Minister Delegate for Transport.

#### LAUNCH OF THE "LOOK UP YOUR EYES" CAMPAIGN FROM -25 METERS FROM ST LAZARE STATION, THE OLDEST STATION IN FRANCE

On the eve of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, at Saint-Lazare station the campaign in partnership with the RATP and the SNCF "Against the aggressors, let's raise our eyes". French Prime Minister, Elisabeth Borne, then spoke from the heart of Saint Lazare station, the oldest station in France, built in 1837, with its

-25 meters from the ground, alongside the government's tris insert, While the largest station in Europe, with 700,000 passengers, is Gare du Nord, serving London and Brussels, Amsterdam, with EUROSTAR. "Since 2017, we have continued after the Grenelle Summit in 2019, we will put in place emergency aid in December 2023,

so that women victims of violence can leave the home when a violent spouse or partner is in control," she announces.

She adds lucidly, "We must go further, and draw new initiatives so that everyone feels involved and under the campaign launched this morning, let's look up! And let us not let our eyes be lowered"

This campaign, which will be deployed throughout France, aims to denounce sexist and sexual violence on public transport. The Prime Minister, very committed and attached to this cause of defending women, will return to the actions implemented since 2019 during the Grenelle on domestic violence and the deployment of the interministerial plan for equality between women and men. , presented on March 8, 2023 "Equality of Women/Men" like her own journey as a woman, having trained at the elitist Military School de Polytechnique, ex Prefect, ex Strategic Director of SNCF, CEO of RATP, ex Minister of Labor, and Minister of Ecology before leading the government on May 16, 2022.

The PM took the opportunity to speak with police officers and railway security officers, trained in supporting victims of gender-based and sexual violence on public transport. An hour later, Elisabeth Borne, the French PM, was held at her cabin in Matignon where she received a meeting with actors committed to combating violence against women, for a work meeting, at the Hôtel de Matignon, followed by a lunch cocktail. Among the Associations and NGOs presented were the Fondation des Femmes de France chaired by Anne Cecile Malifert, La Clef (European Foundation for Women) chaired by Celine Thiebault Martinez, Un Women, Institut Women Safe, chaired by Pierre Foldes is one of the famous French urologist surgeons, inventor, with Jean-Antoine Robein — of a surgical method to repair the damage caused by clitoridectomy. The representative of FDFA, Chantal Rialin, (Blind), #STOP STREET HARASSMENT, SOS Group, chaired by Jean Marc Borelli, Sylvie Pierre Brossolette, president of the High Council for Equality between Women and Men, and Anne Gabrielle Heilbronner head of Public Affairs at Women's Forum.

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