

# Human Rights Abuses of MPs – 2014

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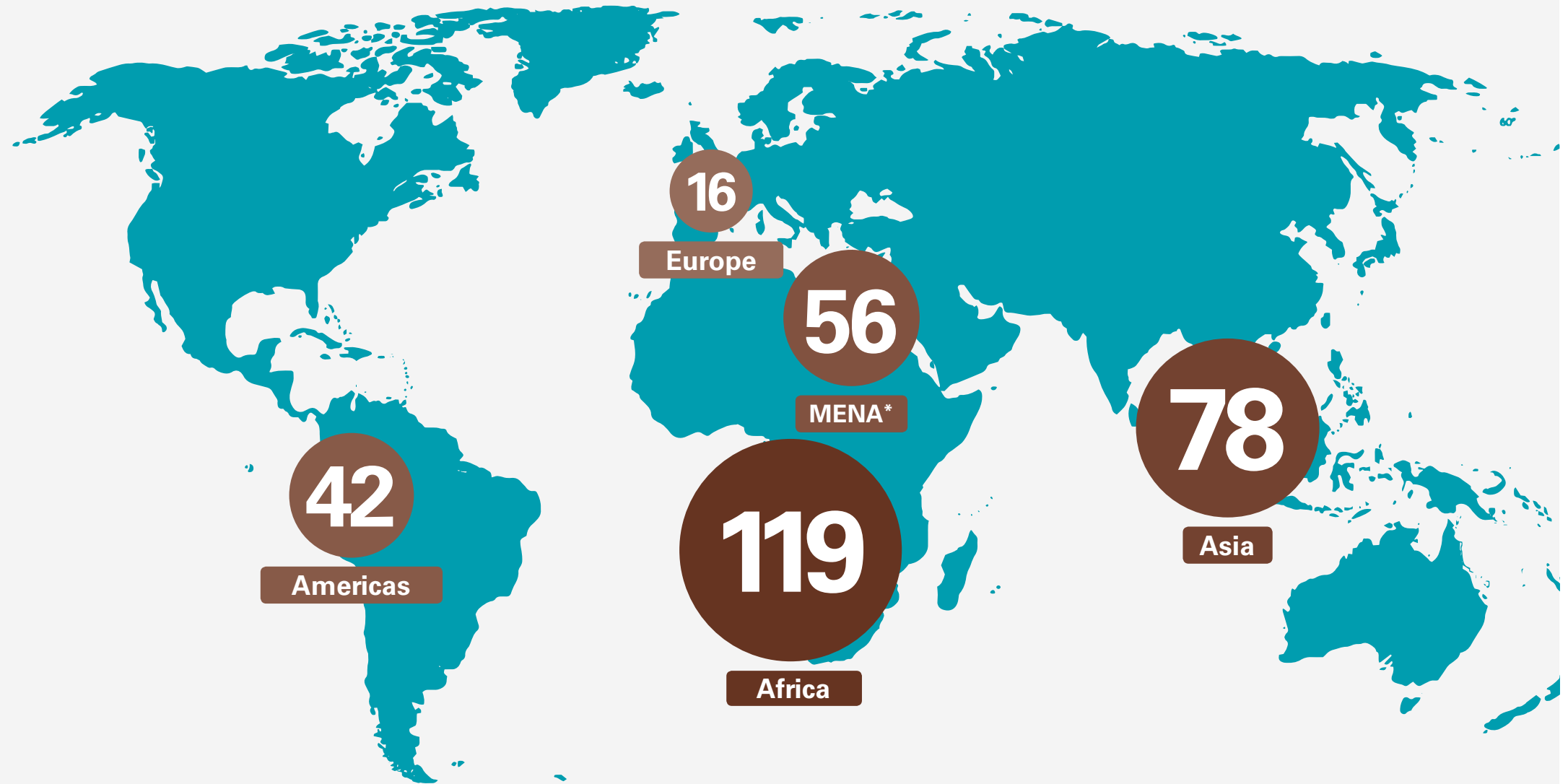


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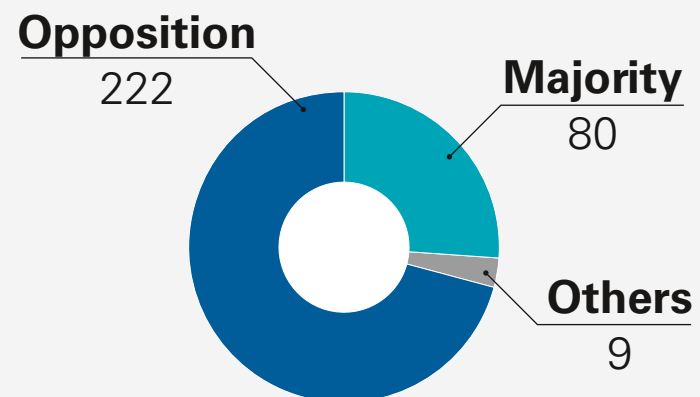
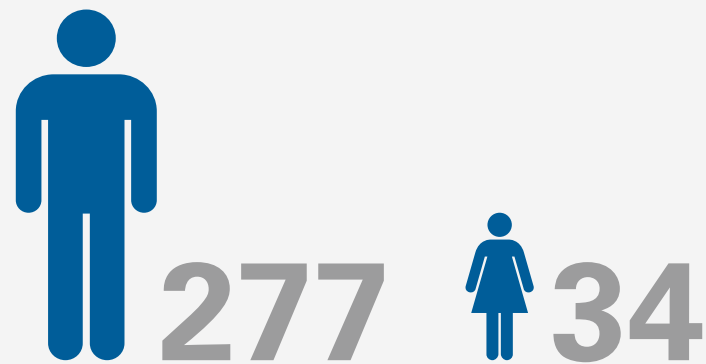
**311** MPs  
in **41** countries

## Most common violations

- 1 Arbitrary detention
- 2 Lack of fair trial
- 3 Violation of freedom of expression
- 4 Unlawful suspension and loss of parliamentary mandate



\*Middle East and North Africa



IPU's Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians is a unique source of protection and redress for MPs killed, attacked, intimidated or jailed for their political views or differences.

If MPs cannot do their job safely or without fear, they cannot ensure parliament does its job of protecting the human rights and political

freedoms of society as a whole. Without fundamental human rights such as freedom of thought and expression, the right to life, liberty, equality and the right to take part in government, there can be no democracy.

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