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process of translation from one language to another and, second, to

propose guidelines that will prevent this kind of linguistic violence in
the future.