



Tool 2.8 National anti-trafficking rapporteurs

Overview

This tool provides examples of anti-trafficking positions which have been created by States to coordinate responses to trafficking and facilitate cooperation, between agencies and internationally.

National Rapporteur on Trafficking in Human Beings (The Netherlands)

In response to the recommendation of an European Union ministerial conference on trafficking that national rapporteurs on human trafficking be appointed, the Bureau of the National Rapporteur on Trafficking in Human Beings was established in the Netherlands in April 2000. According to article 250a of the Criminal Code, the mandate of the National Rapporteur is to gather and disseminate information in order to highlight problems and offer solutions for combating trafficking in persons. The Rapporteur is required to present an annual report to the Government, which is compiled using far-reaching access to criminal files of the police and judicial authorities, and through the maintenance of cooperative relationships with international organizations.

The reports presented by the Rapporteur to the Government of the Netherlands contain information on regulations and legislation, as well as information on prevention, criminal investigations, prosecution and victim support. They also contain policy recommendations to strengthen the response of the Netherlands to trafficking. The Government is required to respond to the Rapporteur's reports in Parliament.



More information about the National Rapporteur of the Netherlands and all of the reports issued by her are available at:
www.bnrm.nl

Ambassador for International Cooperation against Trafficking in Human Beings (Sweden)

In consideration of the fact that trafficking in persons is a cross-cutting issue which has an impact on human rights, development cooperation, migration policy and security, the Government of Sweden has instated an Ambassador for International Cooperation against Trafficking in Human Beings to better coordinate the Government's response to trafficking and make the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Sweden itself a more visible global partner against trafficking. The Ambassador has been appointed to work in a variety of international contexts, such as the United Nations, the European Union, the Baltic

Sea States Subregional Cooperation, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and the Council of Europe. In doing so, it is hoped that the Ambassador will have an overview of anti-trafficking responses to ensure that Sweden does not duplicate efforts.



For more information about the Swedish Ambassador against Trafficking in Human Beings, visit:

www.manskligarattigheter.gov.se/extra/pod/?action=pod_show&id=43&module_instance=2

Ambassador-at-Large and Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons (United States)

The United States Ambassador-at-Large and Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons was appointed on 31 May 2007. The Ambassador-at-Large chairs the Senior Policy Operating Group – the senior management group of the President’s Inter-agency Task Force to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons.



Source: www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/biog/84924.htm

Government Coordinator of the Battle against Trafficking in Persons in the Ministry of Justice (Israel)

The Government of Israel appointed an anti-trafficking Government Coordinator in May 2006. In its National Plan regarding the Battle against Slavery and Trafficking in Persons for the Purposes of Slavery or Forced Labour, the Committee of Directors General stated that the Government Coordinator should be required to report to the Government periodically about the scope of the phenomenon in Israel and the steps the Government has taken in order to combat it.

For more information about the National Action Plan of Israel, see Tool 2.7.