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ON

STRENGTHENING EFFORTS TO COMBAT ALL FORMS OF TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS AND ADDRESSING THE SPECIAL NEEDS OF CHILD VICTIMS

Principal Sponsor Mr. Christopher H. Smith USA

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Strengthening Efforts to Combat All Forms of Trafficking in Human Beings and Addressing the Special Needs of Child Victims

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- 1. <u>Commending</u> the increasing number of OSCE participating States that have adopted comprehensive laws, policies, and practices to combat all forms of trafficking in persons,
- 2. <u>Recalling</u> the principles of the OSCE PA Brussels Declaration (2006), the OSCE PA Kyiv Declaration (2007), as well as efforts by participating States to implement the OSCE Action Plan to Combat Trafficking in Human Beings (2003) and all OSCE commitments related to combating trafficking,
- 3. <u>Noting</u> the 8th Alliance Against Trafficking in Persons Conference (May 2008) to specifically address "Child Trafficking: Responses and Challenges at the Local Level,"
- 4. <u>Noting</u> the recent "Final Report on the Evaluation of the First Offender Prostitution Program," (March 2008) submitted to the U.S. Department of Justice, which evaluates the effectiveness of programs that educate male solicitors of prostitution about the legal, health and other risks and effects of prostitution and concludes that such programs significantly reduce recidivism and therefore would also reduce demand for sex trafficking,
- 5. <u>Supporting</u> with absolute determination efforts to further strengthen national and multinational efforts to combat all forms of trafficking in human beings throughout the OSCE region and beyond;
- 6. <u>Concerned</u> that official corruption continues to hamper efforts to combat human trafficking, including preventing trafficking, protecting victims, and prosecuting traffickers,
- 7. <u>Concerned</u> that military and civilian personnel serving on international peacekeeping forces or other international missions, including contractors, as well as field presences of international organizations, including the OSCE, could be a contributing factor to the demand side of the trafficking cycle and that reports of misconduct by military and civilian personnel serving on such missions has a detrimental effect on the fulfilment of mission mandates.

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8. <u>Urges</u> those participating States that have not already done so to adopt and implement comprehensive anti-trafficking laws, policies and practices, addressing human trafficking in all its forms and enabling effective prosecution of perpetrators, prevention, and protection of victims;

- 9. <u>Encourages</u> the OSCE and all participating States to continue to develop robust and comprehensive prevention strategies and programs addressing human trafficking in all its forms;
- 10. <u>Calls on</u> all participating States to increase resources to governmental agencies, including law enforcement, and relevant non-governmental organizations to enhance the capacity and effectiveness of measures aimed at prosecution, prevention and protection of trafficking victims;
- 11. <u>Appeals</u> to participating States to ensure that perpetrators are prosecuted effectively and punishments are imposed that are commensurate with the crime;
- 12. <u>Further encourages</u> participating States to vigorously investigate, prosecute, and sentence public officials who participate in or facilitate human trafficking;
- 13. <u>Calls on participating States to improve</u>, where necessary, measures to prevent military and civilian personnel deployed abroad on peacekeeping forces or other international missions from engaging in trafficking in persons or exploiting victims of trafficking, and to ensure that their national laws, regulations, and other relevant documents can be enforced with respect to their nationals who are serving on peacekeeping forces or other international missions;
- 14. <u>Urges</u> participating States to establish or strengthen programs to promote international cooperation in protecting trafficking victims and their families from retribution for aiding in prosecution processes in order to increase prosecutions;
- 15. <u>Urges</u> participating States to ensure effective identification mechanisms for trafficking victims, particularly to ensure victims are not prosecuted for prostitution and immigration violations;
- 16. <u>Further urges</u> participating States to interact with NGOs and other international mechanisms for, when appropriate, the safe return of trafficking victims to their home countries;
- 17. <u>Strongly urges</u> participating States to develop strategies for addressing the vulnerabilities of potential trafficking victims and for successfully reintegrating rescued trafficking victims, particularly by establishing and by facilitating the efforts of NGOs to establish micro-enterprise and microfinance activities for victims of human trafficking and at-risk women entrepreneurs in high trafficking areas;
- 18. <u>Calls on</u> all participating States to strengthen national monitoring mechanisms, national referral mechanisms, coordinating structures, data collection and research focused on trafficking in human beings;
- 19. <u>Encourages</u> media outlets in source, transit and destination countries to play a more vigorous role in helping to educate the public about the many facets of

human trafficking, including factors contributing to demand for all forms of trafficking, warning signs for potential victims and parents of potential victims of trafficking, and actions that individuals might take if they encounter a possible victim of trafficking;

- 20. <u>Calls on participating</u> States to develop and implement programs to educate male customers of prostitutes about the legal, health and other risks and effects of prostitution, with the goal of significantly reducing recidivism rates and demand for sex trafficking;
- 21. <u>Calls on</u> participating States to develop policies and support initiatives to more effectively reduce the demand that drives all forms of trafficking in persons, including through awareness raising campaigns and legislative or other measures;
- 22. <u>Urges</u> participating States, where necessary, to clarify definitions in national legislation related to forced labor, and to educate the appropriate officials about the distinction between trafficking in persons, illegal immigration, and human smuggling;
- 23. <u>Strongly urges</u> the OSCE and the participating States to take immediate steps to promote the aggressive prosecution of those responsible for the trafficking of infants, children and youth, prevention of such crimes against children and protection of victims, including through implementation of the recommendations contained in the "Addendum to the OSCE Action Plan to Combat Trafficking in Human Beings: Addressing the Special Needs of Child Victims of Trafficking for Protection and Assistance" *inter alia*;
 - a. Establishing and/or strengthening effective policies and programs to prevent trafficking in children;
 - b. Developing coordinating and referral mechanisms to specifically address protection and assistance measures which focus on the special needs of child victims of trafficking;
 - c. Facilitating special training for law enforcement and direct service personnel on proper and effective methods to identify child victims of trafficking; and
 - d. Forming partnerships with civil society to develop a comprehensive approach to protect and assist child victims of trafficking.
- 24. <u>Urges</u> OSCE participating States to cooperate in ensuring, when appropriate, the safe return of child victims of trafficking, including through the incorporation of risk assessments and reintegration programs with their anti-trafficking in persons policies;
- 25. <u>Urges</u> the participating States to establish educational outreach programs aimed at particularly vulnerable populations of children and youth, including those residing in state institutions;

- 26. <u>Expresses</u> appreciation for the ongoing work of the Office of the Special Representative and Coordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings as well as anti-trafficking efforts undertaken by OSCE Missions and Field Presences; and
- 27. <u>Calls on</u> the OSCE to continue cooperation with other international organizations on concrete and practical programs to combat trafficking in persons.

AMENDMENT TO SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM

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