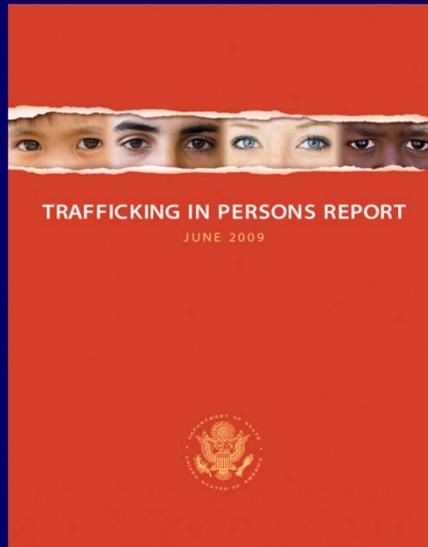




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Ambassador Luis CdeBaca
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Trafficking in Persons: A Priority for the U.S. Government and the American People

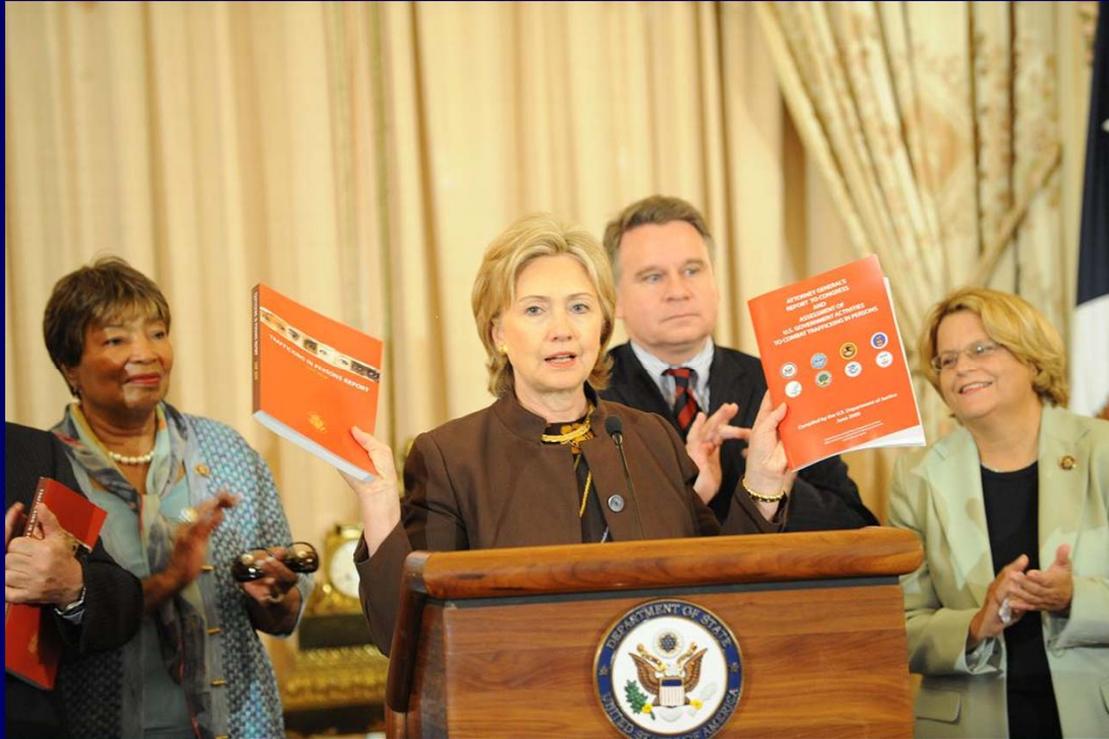


This has to be a top priority and this is an area where we've already seen bipartisan agreement on this issue.

- President Barack Obama



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*So we're going to have a very active women's office, a very active office on trafficking. We're going to be speaking out consistently and strongly against discrimination and oppression of women and slavery in particular, because I think that is in keeping not only with **American values**, as we all recognize, but **American national security interests** as well.*

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton



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CRIMINAL ACTIVITY RELATED TO TRAFFICKING

A Plethora of Predicates

**INVOLUNTARY
SERVITUDE
&
TVPA CRIMES**

Immigration offenses

**VIOLENT CRIME
(assault, rape, etc)**

Transport for Prostitution

Local vice crimes

Extortion

**HUMAN
TRAFFICKING**

**THREATS,
BLACKMAIL
OF FAMILY**

**MONEY
LAUNDERING**

**BRIBERY OF
OFFICIALS**

Tax offenses

Forgery and Visa Fraud

**ROUTES USED FOR
SMUGGLING
DRUGS, ARMS ETC?**



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Human Trafficking

as defined by the
Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

- Sex trafficking in which a commercial sex act is induced by **force, fraud, or coercion**, or in which the person induced to perform such an act has not attained 18 years of age; OR
- The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of **force, fraud, or coercion** for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.



Gold mine in Senegal



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A Global Problem

- ILO estimates 12.3 million persons living in slavery
- Hundreds of thousands trafficked across borders
- ILO reports that migrants lose more than \$20 billion through the coercion by traffickers

Why trafficking thrives

- Social and economic marginalization
- Political and economic instability
- Demand for cheap labor
- High profits and low risk
- Official corruption
- Globalization of trade
- Weak visa and border controls



Sugar cane cutters in Brazil



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The Many Forms of Human Trafficking

- **Commercial Sexual Exploitation, including prostitution of children**
- **Forced or Bonded Labor**
- **Involuntary Domestic Servitude**
- **Child Soldiers**

Common Sectors of Compelled Service

- **Forced Prostitution – Aliens or US Citizens**
- **Child Prostitution**
- **Nannies/Housekeepers**
- **Farm workers**
- **Factory/Garment Workers**





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What Does the Department of State Do to Combat Human Trafficking?

- Produce the annual *Trafficking in Persons Report*
- Encourage cooperation through face-to-face diplomacy
- Fund and monitor anti-human trafficking programs
- Engage in public diplomacy and raise public awareness
- Chair the President's Interagency Task Force on Human Trafficking





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Three “P” Approach

- **Prosecution:**
 - Prosecute traffickers
 - Pass anti-trafficking legislation
- **Protection:**
 - Identify victims and protect them
 - Assist victims
 - Encourage government-NGO cooperation
- **Prevention:**
 - Public awareness
 - Training police, first-responders
 - Discourage demand





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Tier Rankings on Foreign Government Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking

Tier 1

Tier 2

Tier 2 Watch List

Tier 3



Preventing TIP and Exploitation committed by Peacekeepers



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TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS REPORT

JUNE 2009



2009 TIP Report Themes:

- **Coercion in a time of crisis**
- **U.S. efforts at home**
- **A new way forward:
Fourth "P"**



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Global financial crisis



**Declining global
demand for labor**



**Growing supply of
migrant labor**



**Increase in human
trafficking**

**Coercion in a Time of
Economic Crisis**





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What We Do at *Home* as an Example for What we Say Abroad



“To some, human trafficking may seem like a problem limited to other parts of the world. In fact, it occurs in every country, including the United States, and we have a responsibility to fight it just as others do.”

- Secretary of State Hillary Clinton



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Fourth “P”: PARTNERSHIP

- **Between Law Enforcement and Non-governmental organizations**
- **Between USG agencies**
- **Between federal, state, and local agencies**
- **Between the U.S. and foreign governments**





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What's your role?



- Foreign AND Domestic Responsibilities
- Help raise awareness, identify trafficking, and take action
- Tools to fight this crime



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Questions?



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