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Committee Introduction

Founded in 1997, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime is a United Nations agency in charge of assuring global security and legislative organization worldwide. The UNODC aims to increase resilience, promote the rule of law, combat organized crime, strengthen organized crime prevention, and enhance justice. 150 member states are served by the UNODC as the place of international cooperation.

Starting in 1997, the UNODC has had significant impacts on nations. One of the most recognizable achievements was when the UNODC officially promoted efficient primary drug prevention in the significant contexts of the workplace, the community, and the criminal justice and education systems. It is notable as it demonstrates the formulation of tailored drug prevention packages. Continuously, the UNODC has had a significant role on behalf of implementing multi disciplinary actions embracing supply reduction, demand reduction, legal assistance, and advocacy. Regarding human trafficking, the UNODC published the [Global Report on Trafficking in Persons 2022](#) (latest).

The UNODC recently held the 67th ordinary session with the theme of “Commission on Narcotic Drugs,” drafting resolutions for the international drug control treaties. The UNODC has also held several special sessions and emergency special sessions to correctly address and respond to global challenges and issues that threaten global drug use disorders.

Regarding the agenda of combating human trafficking within the Asia-Pacific Region, the UNODC held a REGM meeting on Fostering Cooperation between the Public and Private Sectors to Counter Trafficking in Persons in Asia-Pacific in March 2021. More information can be found [here](#).

Agenda Introduction

Originating in Southeast Asia and Eastern Europe, human trafficking, defined as the recruitment, transportation, transfer, sheltering, or reception of individuals via force, fraud, or deceit to exploit them for profit, has been a ceaseless issue worldwide since 1860. Human trafficking is generated by the fraudulent use of a trafficker to force the other to engage in a commercial sex act, as its purpose is sexual exploitation. Due to human trafficking, specifically human rights abuse, there are numerous consequences to face, for example, national and financial instability, absence of authority from government, or not being well off individuals and communities worldwide may lead to a crime of exploitation, further.

Especially in the Asia-Pacific region, which has a much greater population than the remainder of the globe's regions, is extremely extensive in human trafficking, as its issue is most common in Asia. As reported by the *Global Report on Trafficking in Persons 2022*, centralized for East Asia and Pacific provided by the UNODC, on behalf of the statistics showing the number of victims of trafficking in persons detected in Australia, by sex and age in the year from 2014 to 2020, women have shown an exclusive number of data compared to the others (men and children). This includes trafficking in persons, slavery and slavery-like practices, suspected victims, and further, represents victims detected and referred to the *Australian Red Cross* for support under the *Support for Trafficked People Program*. More information can be found [here](#).

According to the UN Women, engage at the base of society to raise awareness, promote sustainable economic alternatives, and integrate women who have been or are at risk of having been trafficked with resources and legal procedures, the approaches that may be beneficial for preventing the impacts of human trafficking and transnational crimes have been represented. Women's involvement and empowerment can have a significant impact on dismantling transnational criminal activity, accelerating progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Refugees of human trafficking deserve protection, help, support, access to treatments, and a respectful return to their communities. To mitigate the impact of these crimes, it's important to emphasize that law enforcement authorities must be prepared and capable of providing proper support to survivors as well as working with border communities.

Facing a variety of health challenges, they're subjected to physical assault, sexual exploitation, psychological abuse, terrible living circumstances, and exposure to diseases that can have long-term effects on their bodily, reproductive, and mental health. The awareness of human trafficking worldwide, especially in the Asia-Pacific (APAC) region, offers the framework for individuals, emergency workers, law enforcement agencies, educational institutions, companies, and others to detect the signs of human trafficking and respond accordingly. Hence, taking notable actions to combat human trafficking is extremely vital.

Letter from the Chairs

Dear esteemed delegates,

Welcome to the eleventh edition of JejuMUN. This is the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime of the JejuMUN XI, dealing with combating human trafficking within the Asia-Pacific (APAC) region.

Greetings! I am Olivia Jian Lee, a current junior at St. Johnsbury Academy Jeju, honored to serve as a head chair for the UNODC committee. My involvement with MUN commenced upon the recommendation of my esteemed advisor, within my fervent interest in oratory and discourse. I thoroughly enjoyed participating in numerous MUN conferences and discovered the thrill of meaningful discourse and cooperation with fellow delegates, as well as the basis for prospective collaborations. Now, it's your turn to make remarks. We're here to support you every step of the way, and we eagerly anticipate that each one of you will enjoy this conference through dynamic discussions and insightful resolutions. See you soon!

This is Sena Min, your deputy chair for JejuMUN XI. I'm currently attending St. Johnsbury Academy Jeju as a 9th grader. My MUN and parliamentary debate experience started 4 years ago as a delegate, but also as a Chair. Over those years, MUN taught me to resolve confrontations and conflict in the most practical way possible. I started to develop both as a delegate and a person by overcoming difficulties and focusing on feasible implementation during the multiple conferences. I wish all delegates the best of luck and to not fear sharing your ideas or strategies during the sessions. I shall provide absolute impartiality in administering the rules of procedure and unbiased chairing at all times. May the best delegate win.

I am Associate Chair, Minkyoo Kim, an 8th grader at St. Johnsbury Academy Jeju. You are part of a middle school committee where many novice members will be, and I understand that you may struggle during the first few sessions. The chairs will guide you through the way, so do not hesitate to try new things. If you have anything to ask, don't be afraid to do so. Never let your desire for awards and authority hinder your steps toward reaching the ultimate goal of MUN – cooperation and a solution for all. I wish you all the best.

We as chairs will be guiding you through your starting MUN career. Please feel free to contact us via our emails if you have any inquiries or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Key Terms

Advocacy

Assistance or supplement provided by specific policies. The geographical region of the entire globe is contiguous to the western Pacific Ocean. Countries located in East Asia, Australasia, and Southeast Asia are especially the key examples representing accurate boundaries, although the boundaries are often dependent on context.

Asia-Pacific (APAC)

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Drug Addiction (Substance Use Disorder)

A disorder that impacts the way someone thinks and acts and generates difficulty in controlling the use of a legal or illicit medication.

Global Security

Political and diplomatic measures implemented by administrations and international organizations to guarantee mutual safety and security.

Human Trafficking

The recruitment, transportation, transfer, sheltering, or reception of individuals via force, fraud, or deceit to exploit them for profit.

Legal Assistance

Various types of support are offered to individuals or organizations in managing legal issues, such as legal advice, legal research, legal aid services, but not limited to.

Regional Expert Group Meeting (REGM)

A meeting was established to contribute to a series of regional consultations forming part of the UNODC project 'Public-Private Partnerships' through the fostering of cooperation between Public and Private Sectors to counter trafficking in persons in the Asia-Pacific (APAC) region.

Resilience

The ability to go through harsh times and overcome, but grow up as an individual. It displays the process of facing several challenging circumstances and gives lessons as well as experiences.

Historical Background

Year	Event
1850-1900	<p>Increasing Chinese population in the United States Trafficked Chinese persons rapidly arrived in the United States during the mid-1800s, as they were seen as an adequate replacement for the African American laborers. They were drawn to job offers, especially related to the Central Pacific Railroad and the California Gold Rush. Over time, other industries such as fishing and mining became involved. By the early 1880s, males made up 95% of the Chinese population in the US, causing gangs such as the Tongs to bring women in to work as prostitutes. Many of these women worked in Chinatowns, and the stigma and constraints that they faced due to nationality and socioeconomic position halted their ability to escape from their crude working environment. The Chinese population grew in the US, and they became the target of racial discrimination and violence—especially due to the supposed economic threat and increased competition in certain industries. Although the Chinese made up only about 5% of the total US population, this assumption persisted, prompting numerous xenophobic legal responses. The most significant of the many is the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 which banned Chinese immigrants from entering the US for 10 years.</p>
1919	<p>The International Labor Organization (ILO) was founded. The International Labour Organization (ILO) was founded in 1919 to promote social justice and improve working conditions worldwide. It brings together governments, employers, and workers to set international labor standards. The ILO focuses on protecting workers' rights and eliminating forced labor, child labor, and discrimination in the workplace.</p>
1921	<p>The International Convention For the Suppression of Trafficking in Women and Children was founded. At the 1921 international conference of the League of Nations, 33 countries signed this agreement which outlined the steps member nations should take to mitigate the trafficking of women and children. The attention of the world shifted gradually from White Slavery to the trafficking of women and children, recognizing that everyone could be a victim regardless of race.</p>
1939-1945	<p>“Comfort Women” During World War II, the Japanese Imperial Army committed large-scale, organized prostitution for its soldiers. The women recruited were referred to as “comfort women”, and an estimated</p>

	<p>80,000 to 200,000 Korean women were victims of this incident. Japan formally apologized for this case in January 1992.</p>
1948	<p>UN General Assembly adopts the Universal Declaration of Human Rights</p> <p>On December 10, 1948, the General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights through Resolution 217 A. The adoption itself, and the fact that the document was translated into over 500 languages, demonstrated that the world now officially recognized this issue as a universal struggle, and the principles in the declaration as the collective standard. The document included several articles closely associated with the APAC region, some examples being, “Everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration, without distinction of any kind, such as race, color, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status. Furthermore, no distinction shall be made on the basis of the political, jurisdictional or international status of the country or territory to which a person belongs, whether it be independent, trust, non-self-governing or under any other limitation of sovereignty.” (Article 2)</p>
2000	<p>United Nations Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in Persons</p> <p>This protocol played a significant role in being more inclusive in acknowledging different people as victims of human trafficking. It was the first to recognize male victims, and it also added organ harvesting, slavery, and forced labor as part of trafficking.</p> <p>According to UNODC, “most legislative frameworks on trafficking in persons have been developed only within [what was considered at the time this report was written as] the last few years. ...The UN Protocol entered into force in December 2003. The data shows that the majority of countries did not have any sort of trafficking in persons legislation prior to that year and that most of the current laws criminalizing human trafficking were established after 2003.”</p> <p>However, although these laws were established they have been poorly enforced until today. Thus, while this protocol may act as an influence for another in the future, now delegates’ goals must be shifted to enforcement.</p>
2007	<p>United Nations Global Initiative to Fight Human Trafficking (UN.GIFT)</p> <p>Although globally, laws were successfully established, efforts to put them into practice have only been shown from limited parts of the world. In particular, low-income countries struggled the most as they had other, more persistent and severe issues to draw their resources into; they needed the support of the rest of the world in order to also</p>

	<p>be able to focus on human trafficking issues. Thus UNODC launched this initiative to promote a joint, international effort against human trafficking. This initiative led to the Vienna Forum in 2008, which succeeded in raising awareness and establishing partnerships.</p>
<p>2015-2019</p>	<p>The Global Action against Trafficking in Persons and the Smuggling of Migrants – Asia and the Middle East (GLO.ACT Asia and the Middle East), First Phase GLO.ACT was a joint, 4-year initiative by the European Union (EU) and the UNODC in partnership with the International Organization of Migration (IOM) and the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF). The program assisted 13 selected countries in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, and Latin America. It helped countries develop strategies, policies, legislative frameworks, and knowledge associated with trafficking. Additionally, it called for cooperation and information exchange between countries.</p>
<p>2018-2022</p>	<p>The Global Action against Trafficking in Persons and the Smuggling of Migrants – Asia and the Middle East (GLO.ACT Asia and the Middle East), Second Phase The second phase of GLO.ACT continued onto the mission of its first phase, additionally assisting the four countries Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq and Pakistan.</p>

Current State of Affairs

Human trafficking, especially young girls and women, is one of the serious ongoing problems nowadays. Human trafficking regarding international policy is a worldwide problem. According to 2021 cumulative statistics, 49.1 million people have been victimized. This translates to the highest rate of slavery in human history. In Southeast Asia alone, about 22 million females are trafficked and forced into marriage.

According to the United Nations on Drugs and Crimes (UNODC), 85% of the total victims were forced into sex trafficking. The situation was more notably visualized by the United States Department of State (DOS) ranking system. As of 2024, 56% of the world's human trafficking was from the Asia-Pacific region with nations such as Negara Brunei Darussalam, Kingdom of Cambodia, People's Republic of China, and Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) classified under tier 3 by the United States Department of State. South East Asia contributes the key region of the victims of human trafficking, universally. Thailand Myanmar ranks with the highest rate of human trafficking in the world as of 2023. The causes of human trafficking in the Asia pacific region are structurally a multifaceted issue.

The majority of the causes are from the regional challenges. The regional issues are mainly from limited education, lack of employment opportunities, and the weak enforcement of law. One of the biggest problems that we have is the weak social safety and victim-oriented program. Due to the aforementioned areas the United Nations Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children was enforced in 2003.

Stances of Parties

Afghanistan

Afghanistan struggles with human trafficking due to ongoing conflict and political instability. Afghanistan is a nation of origin, transit, and destination for men, women, and children involved in human trafficking, including forced labor and prostitution. Trafficking in Afghanistan is more common than transnational trafficking, and the majority of victims are children. The state government's [2017 Law to Combat Crimes of Trafficking in Persons and Smuggling of Migrants](#) criminalized sex trafficking as well as labor trafficking, including in Afghanistan.

Australia

Australia has stringent laws against human trafficking and strong enforcement mechanisms. Australia is a well-known destination and source country for criminals of trafficking. The Australian government fully achieves the minimum standards for combating human trafficking. Their [National Action Plan](#) and [Human Trafficking and Slavery Strategic Plan](#) is incredibly recognizable in combating human trafficking as well as modern slavery.

Bangladesh

Bangladesh has laws against human trafficking, however, implementation has been complicated by poverty and corruption. Regarding their situation, their efforts and actions are in progress: [The Prevention and Suppression of Human Trafficking Act, 2012](#), cooperation with the US government on behalf of the [National Plan of Action \(NPA\)](#), etc.

Brazil

Forcible labor and sex trafficking are major industries in Brazil. Brazil participates in global initiatives to combat human trafficking and has a legal framework in place to do so. Nonetheless, human trafficking in Brazil is still a severe issue due to uneven enforcement, especially about forced labor and sexual exploitation.

Canada

In Canada, trafficking is one of the most rapidly expanding crimes. Canada is one of the majorities for being a restrictive nation on human trafficking worldwide. Its laws and enforcement mechanisms are extremely comprehensive and strong. It mainly aims to support victims, prevention, and prosecution of criminals.

China

China is firm in its position against human trafficking and is restrictive. China's action to combat human trafficking includes the implementation of a legal framework, national action plans, regulations and enforcement, international cooperation, and support for victims or criminals. They aim to establish a long-term combating trafficking approach that includes safeguarding and assistance.

Democratic Republic of Congo

Although the Government of the Republic of Congo is in the process of making significant efforts to fulfill the minimum standards for mitigating human trafficking and recognizes the importance of addressing human trafficking, their action is not apparent. They have not shown any improvements or indications regarding strengthening their efforts on educating law enforcement authorities on anti-trafficking law and releasing six ministerial regulations that will enhance the protection of Indigenous communities and decrease vulnerabilities to trafficking.

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea doesn't make any significant efforts or actions, even attempts to investigate trafficking criminals. They not only officially deny severe human trafficking occurs within its borders, but also do not offer credible data or reports on human trafficking, making it impossible to assess the extent of the issue and the state's action.

Denmark

Denmark, a nation with a strong stance against human trafficking, has implemented a few extensive measures, such as law enforcement and prosecution, public awareness through the official Danish government and organizations (NGOs), and active international cooperation efforts. However, although they recognize the importance of combating human trafficking, the impact of immigration policies or limitations in funding on anti-trafficking initiatives are to be faced.

Dominican Republic

The largest population of undocumented individuals globally leads to a lack of registration and law enforcement, making the country particularly vulnerable to human trafficking. Another significant factor is that the nation has the third largest criminal organization in human trafficking mainly operating in the Caribbean region. These operations are extremely financially lucrative with 10 billion USD in revenue from trafficking annually leading to high criminal capacity and incentive.

Ethiopia

Though classified as a tier 2 nation, Ethiopia has a very high case of human trafficking, both domestically and internationally primarily being trafficked to Djibouti and Sudan. In 2023 they reported 498 trafficking cases officially reported to the government. Ethiopia has a very serious problem of migrant smuggling activity where in 2019, 50.89% meaning that there is a 50/50 chance of human trafficking, as a returning migrant.

France

France, is a Tier 1 nation, although having some problems with human trafficking issues. One example is, in 2020, the police identified 786 victims of sex trafficking including 217 children. France is working with the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime protocol to address these issues.

Germany

Regardless of Germany's ranking as tier 1, human traffickers in Germany target both foreign and domestic victims in Germany, as has been recorded during the last five years. Germany also has NGOs that work to protest anti-trafficking in human beings, which helps Germany lower the number of victims.

India

India is home to an estimated 14 million victims of human trafficking. While human trafficking is illegal in India, weak law enforcement is one of the causes of the significant number of victims. There are more than 200 units in India that work for anti-human trafficking.

Iran

Iran, a Tier 3 country, has had a 600% increase in prostitution over the last 8 years. Iran fails to accurately report all the victims of human trafficking and also fails to go against human trafficking with about 94 groups of human traffickers. Iran has not ratified the United Nations Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in Persons which is one of the vulnerability factors in Iran.

Japan

Japan, as a Tier 2 country, made efforts to mitigate human trafficking, but it still falls short in some significant areas. Some of its efforts include approving a National Action Plan aimed at labor and child sex trafficking, forming a panel to reform the Technical Intern Training Program (TITP), and increasing the number of convictions for sex trafficking. Regardless of these efforts, without the government's will to strictly monitor human trafficking Japan still fails to meet some essential needs such as law enforcement, strict identification of traffickers, and inclusivity when accommodating victims into government shelters.

Mexico

Mexico is a Tier 2 country that put in efforts such as strengthening victim identification Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for immigration officials and launching and implementing a new National Action Plan for the 2-year term of 2022-2024. However, the government still lacks in many areas. It has identified significantly fewer trafficking victims, failing to investigate or convict any involved officials. Additionally, service for all victims became poorer in quality, as the government did not give legally required funds for victim assistance.

Nigeria

Nigeria is a tier 2 country under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) standard that still has a significant prevalence for human trafficking with governmental reports showing a figure of 1,634 victims of trafficking in 2023 alone. Hence, the federal government of Nigeria had specifically focused on increasing the identification of victims and administrative support. In accordance, the government established the Trafficking in Person Enforcement and Administration Act (TPEAA) in 2023 as well as a governmental law enforcement agency under the National Agency for the Prohibition of Trafficking In Persons (NAPTIP). Domestically the nation depicted efforts toward lessening trafficking on a national level and externally the government collaborates with foreign organizations for cooperative initiatives. Despite efforts, the issue of human trafficking persists due to a lack of resources, poverty, instability, and corruption. Furthermore, the nation faces significant threats from terrorist groups like Boko Haram and ISWA, which employ tactics that commonly target citizens. Hence, more holistic measures are needed for the nation to combat criminal and terrorism activities regarding human trafficking, which have impeded development and claimed a large number of lives.

Russian Federation

In the early 2000s, the Russian Federation officially declared 'human trafficking' as a national security issue. In this regard, the Russian delegate ratified the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and Palermo Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children in 2004. With the ratification, international commitments and partnerships against human trafficking were formed within the domestic legislation as well as relevant governmental agencies. The Russian Federation ranks tier 3 under the TVPA standard in 2023 with many Russian women and children being reported as victims of sex trafficking and labor trafficking due to the ongoing Russo-Ukrainian conflict. However, there is room for political biases in the TVPA standards which primarily are formed under the U.S. Department of State. Placing Russia as the worst tier for human trafficking without any official number of victims can be viewed as a controversial understanding.

Saudi Arabia

Saudi Arabia has put in some significant efforts such as improving training for protocols in border areas and detention centers to better identify victims among migrants. However, it remains Tier 2 as it fails to meet standards, with a lack of adequate punishments for convicted traffickers, wavering protection of human rights and labor law, and no accommodated victims besides domestic workers. Additionally, it is missing a diplomat outside of Saudi Arabian borders monitoring human trafficking cases, although there is supposed to be one under its anti-trafficking law.

South Africa

South Africa remains on the Tier 2 watch list for consecutive three years. Although the government made progress by increasing trafficker convictions, improving international collaboration, and expanding awareness campaigns, However, the efforts overall did not improve compared to the past year and law enforcement is still weak, with victims penalized inappropriately for crimes committed due to being trafficked. It is only because the government has attained sufficient resources for a written plan that would significantly improve the situation that the country avoided a downgrade to Tier 3.

South Korea

South Korea has made efforts such as establishing victim identification guidelines, gathering data on victims from support centers, and launching a national hotline tailored to reporting trafficking cases. However, it remains Tier 2 as it lacks adequate law enforcement, inappropriately penalizing victims for committing unlawful acts that are the results of being trafficked and confusing trafficking with other crimes, giving only lenient sentences for convicted perpetrators, the strongest being less than a year of imprisonment.

United Arab Emirates

The UAE is a Tier 2 country that has made efforts such as investigating and prosecuting more traffickers and improving the protection of rights for domestic workers. However, the government falls short in certain areas. For instance, the government addresses labor law violations separately and not as a trafficking crime, and also excludes some domestic industries from the Wage Protection System. It also does not enforce strong punishment for passport confiscation, worsening the vulnerability of workers.

United Kingdom

The UK, a tier 1 country, fully meets the standards to eliminate trafficking. Its progress includes assigning local authorities to be responsible for its National Referral Mechanism guidance process for children and enacting the Health and Care Act to prevent forced labor in domestic work areas. However, still there are challenges, such as a decrease in the conviction of traffickers and insufficient long-term care for victims in government shelters.

United States of America

The USA fulfills minimum standards for the elimination of human trafficking, remaining Tier 1. Its progress included improving the quality of service for victims, initiating a forced labor identification and prosecution initiative, and legally boycotting products made from brands that committed forced labor. However, it still faces many challenges. Surviving victims were arrested for crimes committed as a result of being trafficked. Progression is lacking in the identification of victims in VISA programs and in providing specialized services. However, the country still serves as an example for the world to follow with the collective efforts of local authorities and the government.

Possible Solutions

Empowering Communities through Education and Economic Opportunities

Empowering communities through education and economic opportunities involves a multifaceted approach to combat human trafficking. Launching tailored awareness campaigns in high-risk areas via media, schools, and community centers can effectively educate about trafficking dangers. Furthermore, by promoting sustainable economic alternatives, it's capable of supporting small businesses and vocational training. This being said, engaging local leaders, NGOs, and community organizations in prevention efforts is essential; training them to recognize trafficking signs and respond promptly. Investing in targeted education and skill development programs also enhances job opportunities in a way of reducing vulnerability. By adapting these strategies to local contexts, communities can bolster resilience against trafficking.

Enhancing Cross-Border Collaboration and Law Enforcement

Effective collaboration among law enforcement agencies across the Asia-Pacific (APAC) region is extremely critical due to the transnational nature of human trafficking. For example, joint operations between countries like Thailand, Malaysia, and Australia have successfully dismantled trafficking networks. Improved information sharing and standardized protocols for identifying, rescuing, and supporting victims have been key. Training programs educate officers on recognizing trafficking indicators and handling cases sensitively. Establishing dedicated task forces and hotlines ensures swift responses and coordinated efforts across borders, which is essential for disrupting trafficking operations and protecting vulnerable populations.

Questions to Consider

1. What are some diverse strategies nations could adopt to address different aspects of human trafficking, such as prevention, detection, victim support, and prosecution?
2. What training programs could be implemented for law enforcement officers to better recognize trafficking indicators and handle cases sensitively?
3. What steps can be taken to establish dedicated task forces and hotlines for swift responses and coordinated efforts across borders?
4. What mechanisms could be put in place to monitor the effectiveness of collaborative efforts and adjust strategies accordingly?
5. How might existing national policies need to be adjusted to align with regional strategies for combating human trafficking?
6. How can regional partnerships and alliances be strengthened to enhance collective efforts against human trafficking?

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