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- Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, Supplementing the UN Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime 2001 (UN TIP Protocol)
- United Nations Convention on Transnational Organised Crime (UNCTOC)
- Universal Declaration of Human Rights 1948 (UDHR 1948)

Preface

Human trafficking is a transnational organised crime which has threatened all regions around the world including Malaysia. Currently there are no books in the market that addresses the prevalent occurrence of human trafficking in Malaysia. Most of the materials such as articles, journals, books and writings are from the international market, written by foreign researchers and can only be gathered from the internet. Nevertheless, these works are very much constrained within the laws and practice in the selected countries which in certain cases are not suitable to be adopted elsewhere, especially in Malaysia due to differences in culture, geography, laws or policies. None of the writers managed to disclose the extent of human trafficking issues in a state government. Their argument also lacks concrete evidence, including absence of reliable data and statistics.

Therefore, this book will be the main reference for the human trafficking issues, particularly in Malaysia since it will be among the main references published in Malaysia. The book examines all forms of human trafficking globally and revealing Malaysia's issues on the heinous crime. It will further enhance the reader's understanding on current phenomena of human trafficking in Malaysia, and suggesting mechanisms for the prevention of the crime, protection of the victim and prosecution of the perpetrator. The book will further provide relevant proposals to strengthen the enforcement bodies and prosecution, best approach to protect the victim and ways to enhance cooperation among the stakeholders. References are made to Australia and other countries especially on their laws and enforcement side. In addition, it will enhance the academia world where the lecturers and students will have a reference on the issue of human trafficking.

List of Abbreviations

ACS Australian Customs Service
AFP Australia Federal Police
AGC Attorney General Chambers
ATIP Anti Trafficking in Persons

ATIPSOM Anti-Trafficking in Persons and Anti-Smuggling

of Migrants Act 2007

CAMSA Coalition to Abolish Modern Day Slavery

CLJ Current Law Journal

DIMA Department of Immigration and Multicultural

Affairs

DPP Deputy Public Prosecutor

GAO US Government Accountability Office

GRO Guest Relations Officers
IMF International Monetary Fund

IOM International Organisation of Migrants

IO Investigation Officer
IPO Interim Protection Order

INTERPOL International Criminal Police Organisation

KLIA Kuala Lumpur International Airport

LCCT Low Cost Carrier Terminal

MAPO Majlis Anti Pemerdagangan Orang MoU Memorandum of Understanding

MLJ Malayan Law Journal

MMEA Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency

MOHA Ministry of Home Affairs NAP National Action Plan

NGO Non-governmental organization

NFA No Further Action
PO Protection Officer
PNG Papua New Guinea
RM Ringgit Malaysia

RMC Royal Malaysian Customs

RMP Royal Malaysian Police

SUHAKAM Human Rights Commission of Malaysia

STIs Sexually Transmitted Infections SOP Standard Operating Procedure TIP Trafficking in Person Report

TVPA Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization

Act

UDHR Universal Declaration of Human Rights 1948

UN United Nation

UNCTOC United Nation Convention on Transnational

Organized Crime

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

UNHCR United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund

US United State

WHO World Health Organization HTT Human Trafficking Teams

Human Trafficking in Malaysia

Human Trafficking in Malaysia has drawing a wide body of academic research where all the information is gathered from diverse report, actual prosecuted cases, fieldwork and interviews with (5) enforcement bodies and relevant ministry in Malaysia. This is the primary data and reliable information which is hard to find from other sources. For practical purpose, the book presents on the related human trafficking issues and position in Malaysia. The discussion is supported with current cases and practical approach. For course syllabi of academia world, this book discuss on the relevant laws and policies on human trafficking. This book also has exposed the forms, problems and challenges in combatting human trafficking issues in Malaysia. This book, Human Trafficking in Malaysia is a must for researchers, policy makers, legal practitioners, and members of the public who wish in acquint themselves with knowledge of human trafficking in Malaysia.

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