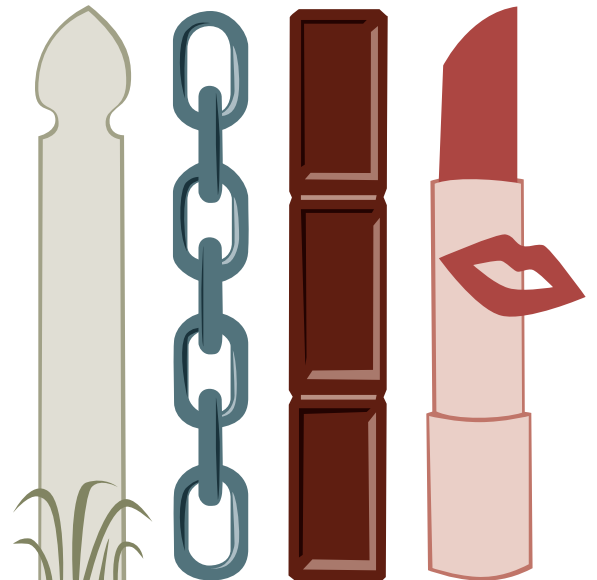


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THE PACIFIC TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS FORUM NEW ZEALAND 2-3 December 2011 Lower Hutt

INCONVENIENT

TRUTHS



Confronting the inconvenient truths that underpin the crime of trafficking in persons



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PEOPLE SHOULDN'T BE BOUGHT & SOLD



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MYTH #1 It's not in **our** backyard

TRUTH The illegal **trafficking of people for profit affects New Zealanders** and the Pacific; whether through direct exploitation, or the consumption of goods that rely on trafficking.

People trafficking is big business. An estimated 2.5 million people are in forced labour around the world at any given time as a result of trafficking. 'Human trafficking affects every country of the world,' says the United Nations Office of Drug and Crime.

People trafficking is akin to modern day slavery.

What is trafficking in persons? Human trafficking, also known as trafficking in persons, is the acquisition of people by force, fraud or deception, with the aim of exploiting them, according to the United Nations.

How does this affect New Zealand? The Pacific region and New Zealand is tainted by the illegal commodification of people for profit. From chocolate to cellphones, victims have been coerced or forced into labour around the world, to provide us with the products we enjoy.

MYTH #2 It was **abolished** centuries ago

TRUTH Human trafficking forces people into slave-like conditions. **There are more people enslaved now than at any time in history.**

MYTH #3 Chocolate is **good** for the soul

TRUTH **Children are trafficked and forced to work**, harvesting the cocoa beans that go into the chocolate we enjoy.

Thanks to the work of anti-trafficking campaigners like StoptheTraffik.org UK, Cadbury and Nestlé have recently put out Fairtrade versions of their chocolate. But there is a long way to go, to stop children being trafficked into this industry.

MYTH #4 It's a lifestyle **choice**

TRUTH Millions of women, along with boys and girls, are **trafficked and exploited for sex**. Their choices are taken from them, along with their hopes and dreams for a better future.

This is the second trafficking in persons forum, and is hosted by The Social Policy and Parliamentary Unit of the Salvation Army NZ, working in cooperation with Hagar New Zealand, ECPAT Child ALERT NZ, and Stop the Traffik UK.

Statistics from the United Nations Global Initiative to Fight Human Trafficking

PACIFIC TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS FORUM

Key note speaker:
Ruth Dearnley CEO,
STOP THE TRAFFIK UK.

STOP THE TRAFFIK is a growing global movement fighting to

- prevent the sale of people
- protect the trafficked
- prosecute the traffickers.

Who should attend?

- non government agencies
- Government departments
- law enforcement
- researchers
- lawyers
- human rights activists
- grass roots community groups wishing to know more of the issues and become involved.

When: Friday 2–Saturday 3
December 2011

Where: Crossroads Salvation Army (Hutt City Corps), Cnr Kings Crescent & Cornwall Street, Lower Hutt.

This is an excellent venue close to accommodation and the city centre, and a short drive from Wellington.

Cost: The cost for the two days (including morning and afternoon teas and lunches) is \$150 per person.

To register: The forum will be limited to 150 participants.

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