

Collective co-operation between political parties would enforce this bill and will bring improvements to the current situation, for the purpose of stopping perpetrators and the damage suffered by innocent individuals. I am writing in the hope that all shared opinions, pro and against, will become one, loud, clear voice, in the fight against human trafficking and prostitution.

Due to my personal safety and my status as a victim of human trafficking, certified by SOCA, I will not disclose my name. But what I will do is reveal my personal experience and give every person the chance to understand the real face of traffickers, and the experience of enslaved women and men.

Families are being broken into pieces and victims have nobody to trust or understand them. There is a world of individuals trying to hide these facts under society's rug.

People are afraid of being judged if the sex buyers are friends, relatives, parents or young individuals with little understanding.

I am a woman who was kidnapped, abused, and raped by over 1000 men, beaten for various reasons and purposes, with my identity stolen. Now I have no hope of a healthy family life. I have serious health issues and death threats.

I was forced to provide sexual services, day by day to people from Northern Ireland and Ireland. I wouldn't have known the real face of crime and the level of it's extent if my "pimps" hadn't 'procured' me from the middle of the street and moved me into these two countries.

After 4 months of daily beatings, being starved to the extent of malnutrition, men who raped me daily were paid a large sum for me to provide sexual services under mental and physical abuse. I was sold for 20,000 euros to a wider web of international pimps.

From 10 customers a day I was then to provide the pimps money for sex with 20 people a day - under threat. But I took a different path out of their obscure, hidden and dirty world. I escaped and I am alive. The purpose of the pimps, be they men or women, is that they need to satisfy their need for money and power.

The purpose of sex buyers - rapists - is that they need to satisfy their inhuman condition by forcing weak people - who are under bondage to their 'life-owners/pimps' - to get their sexual needs fulfilled and their mental condition and cause even more harm to the people they abuse.

I was part of a European wide investigation and there was no current law to keep my perpetrators more than 7 years in jail. There was only one chance of survival; a witness protection scheme which would put me in isolation for the rest of my life.

This was an impossible place to be, carrying the heaviness of the past, day-by-day, with no help and no hope that somebody would actually understand the level of my personal trauma, added to by an incomplete legal system which was only half effective in my circumstances. I would like to mention that the Swedish model is used currently world-wide as an example and as an inspiration. It's been effective, proven legally and supported by so many, in their efforts to do something in relation to human trafficking and prostitution.

Northern Ireland has Lord Morrow and a team of professionals, trained in social policies and the best way to bring people to justice. They need support in order to fulfil and achieve this country's best interests. It is not easy to fight for something that so many would just avoid or condemn.

After close examination of this bill I believe that you would empathise with my story and think about the right way of applying this in order to crash empires like; the sex-industry, money laundering and slavery for any purposes. These are all complete breaches of all 31 paragraphs of the Human Rights Declaration.

The role of this bill is to strengthen society and defend its future by not allowing these monstrosities to happen to any other citizen and future generations. The children shouldn't

pay for the mistakes of their parents, but neither they should suffer for the fact that their parents didn't protect their future lives.

What happened to me could happen to any person, child, young or adult person. The only difference is that I am alive and able to share something that many would not even know about unless special circumstances might allow otherwise.

What we can do is to make sure that the casualties can be reduced and you will not watch more people being injured or killed in the near future for the sexual and financial benefit of others.

I firmly believe that sticking with my principles, being faithful to this nation and being a supporter and protector of human rights as a victim, will elevate this bill into the highest position within any governmental organisation in Northern Ireland. I will not end this fight unless I know that it will be active, respected and implemented for the purpose of a better life quality in Northern Ireland.

I urge you to think about this as a national problem. If you allow it to grow there will be nothing to stop it

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