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Committee of Justice Room 242 Parliament Buildings, Ballymiscaw Stormont Belfast BT4 3XX

For the attention of the Committee Clerk: Christine Darrah

Dear Sir

The Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Further Provisions and Support for Victims) Bill

At the Council meeting on 10 December 2013 the following Notice of Motion was unanimously resolved:

"That this Council recognises that human trafficking and exploitation is a growing problem in Northern Ireland; believes that existing statistics regarding the number of people trafficked in to Northern Ireland do not reflect the scale of the problem and are only the "tip of the iceberg" in regard to the scale of the problem; believes that no human being should be subjected to sexual exploitation, enforced labour or domestic servitude and condemns those who engage in human trafficking; believes that more action should be undertaken to support those who have escaped from exploitation and to punish those who exploit them and, accordingly calls upon the Northern Ireland Assembly to endorse the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Further Provision and Support for Victims) Bill."

Yours sincerely

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