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The Justice Committee
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Dear Sir/ Madam,

I am writing in support of Lord Morrow's **Human Trafficking and Exploitation** Bill . I would greatly welcome this Bill as I feel it would protect the vulnerable and the victims of trafficking, and also prosecute the perpetrators of this heinous crime. I would especially support Clause 6 as this would prosecute those who pay for sex which is ultimately the main reason why trafficking is taking place in Northern Ireland. If we can criminalise paying for sex, it should impact the perpetrators by reducing the demand here. I know this will not stop trafficking and that it will still exist in other parts of the world, but we would be sending out a strong message that Northern Ireland will not have any part of it. This is a despicable crime akin to slavery in our own country, and needs strong action to have any effect. I applaud Lord Morrow for this Bill and wholeheartedly support it.

Yours sincerely,

Janis White