

Dear Committee,

I am writing to you to request your support, for those caught within Human Trafficking.

The true figure of these unfortunate people being trafficked, is impossible to accurately determine, but a staggering estimate of 27 million persons presently being trafficked worldwide, speaks for itself.

The criminal proceeds from Human Trafficking is second only to drug dealing, and these crimes are often interlinked.

In order to effectively combat human trafficking, it is vitally important that all parties act as one, to pass laws which provide strong support for victims of trafficking, and provide a strong deterrent to those in our society who support and engage in the misuse of clearly vulnerable persons.

I urge you to support all clauses within the Bill proposed by Lord Marrow, in particular clause 6.

There is evidence within Sweden and Norway, that laws including clause 6's wording, has had a positive effect in

the support and protection of vulnerable persons within society, and in turn sends a clear strong message to those engaged in trafficking persons, particularly within the sex trade.

I would ask you to consider that the effect on DEMAND for the sexual exploitation of vulnerable persons, will directly and positively effect the SUPPLY of persons trapped within this trade.

It is of particular note that the laws within Southern Ireland, are moving forward to make a positive stand against this plight within our world and society. Should we be lagging behind in our support for those unfortunate people caught within Human Trafficking?

Northern Ireland may become a safe environment to traffick people. Do we want this to be the case?

There are still those in our society who dismiss prostitution as something which will always be within our society, and therefore to be disregarded and swept under the carpet. Without prostitution, to provide a hidden cover, within which human trafficking thrives, vulnerable girls and children will continue to have their freedom and basic human rights stripped away from them.

Please ask yourself, is this the society,

is this the world, we would have our children to grow up into, and perhaps become actual victims of trafficking themselves.

By supporting Lord Monks bill a strong message will be sent to those engaged in the exploitation of vulnerable people within our world and society and will provide a realistic and effective support for victims caught within this situation through slavery and through wider social deprivation and despair.

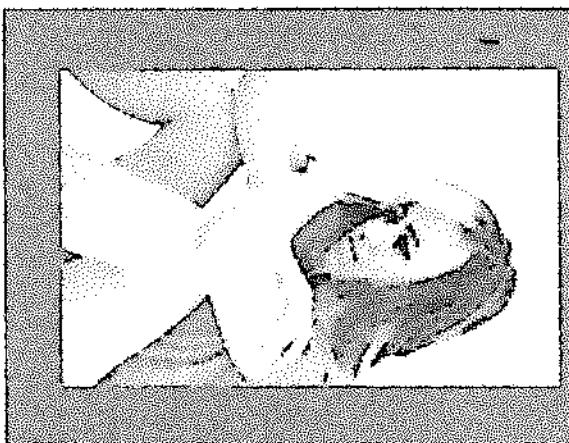
Please consider Lord Monks Bill carefully and support all clauses, particularly clause 6.

Yours faithfully,

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Against  
Trafficking.



A BLIGHT ON  
OUR SOCIETY  
WHICH NEEDS  
URGENT ACTION  
BEYOND PARTY  
POLITICS.

What do you do if you come  
across a case of Human  
Trafficking?

Do not investigate yourself, this  
could place yourself and the  
victim in danger.

Ascertain as many facts as safely  
possible and contact:-

//UK Human Trafficking  
Centre.  
Tactical Advice number  
08447782406.

If life is in danger, ring 999 and  
speak to Police.

Visit our sites,  
[ard.org.uk](http://ard.org.uk).

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Hope for Justice, UK  
International Justice Mission.

## Did You Know?.

Lord, you know the hopes of the helpless. Surely you will hear their cries and comfort them.

## What is Human Trafficking?

THE SALE, TRANSPORT AND PROFIT FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE FORCED TO WORK FOR OTHERS AGAINST THEIR WILL.

## Why do we need to Act ?

We need to act, to become educators of the Church and general public, not only to provoke a greater awareness of Human Trafficking, but to inspire actions.

## Ardstraw Group.

As a group we seek, with Gods help, to provide a voice for the victims of Human Trafficking, and to raise awareness of this growing cancer within our society.

To be a good neighbour, is our hope and prayer to all those who are lost and enslaved

Whatever your age, circumstances or background,

Be a good neighbour today.

You can Help.

## How Can you help.

Pray for freedom for those trapped within Human Trafficking.

Check out Care NI on the internet [www.care.org.uk](http://www.care.org.uk).

Get involved in a group to learn more.

Educate your friends and family.

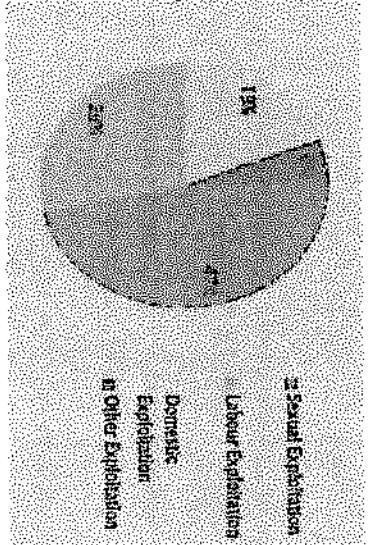
Be the eyes, ears and voice of those trapped within this situation.

Over 27 Million people are enslaved in the misery of Human Trafficking.

47% of people enslaved in Human Trafficking are used in the sex trade, many are young girls and children.

Human Trafficking is a hidden crime, which is hard to detect. Some victims may be in a foreign land, without friends and support, and live in fear of everyone around them.

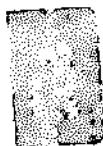
Most of their basic human rights have been stripped from them, and they truly live in a world where they see no hope of freedom and happiness.



People are living in slavery within our own areas.



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27/10/13

Dear Alban

I am writing to you to request your support, for those caught within Human Trafficking.

The True figure, 27 million being trafficked worldwide is scary, so lets open our eyes and do something, you have the power, I don't.

Get all parties to act as one and get this bill through.

There has been a positive effect in Sweden and Norway.

Let Northern Ireland become a safe place, no more trafficking!

Don't let Northern Ireland become a safe place for Traffickers!

Please ask yourself, is this the society, is this the world, we would want our children to grow up into, and perhaps become actual victims of trafficking themselves.

The Bill is essential because it will make a real difference in the lives of some of the most vulnerable men, women DUNSILLY HOTEL

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