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Abstract	<p>The provisions of this Law shall apply to any person who resides in the State of Qatar after committing abroad, as perpetrator or accomplice, any of the criminal offences of trafficking in drugs or humans or acts of piracy or international terrorism (Art. 17).</p> <p>Art. 65 defines as one of the secondary and complementary penalties the deportation of a foreigner from the country (65 (7)).</p> <p>Art. 77 grants the courts the right, if it has imposed a penalty restricting liberty in response to a felony or misdemeanor, to decide to deport a foreigner from the State only after the sentence has been served. This is without prejudice to the rights of the relevant administrative authorities to deport any foreigner pursuant to the law.</p> <p>If the judgment is issued for an offence against honor or trust, the court then must decide to deport the foreigner from the State after he serves his sentence or after the penalty has been waived.</p> <p>The court may, in the case of a misdemeanor, decide to deport the foreigner from the country instead of condemning him to the penalty imposed for the offence (Art. 78).</p> <p>Art. 321 establishes that whoever brings into or takes out of Qatar a person as a slave, or buys, sells, or donates a person as a slave, is liable to imprisonment of a term which may extend up to seven years.</p> <p>Moreover, any person who forces another to work for him (paid or unpaid) is liable to imprisonment of a term up to six months and a fine not exceeding three thousand Qatari Riyals, or one of these two penalties.</p> <p>If the victim is under sixteen years old, the penalty can extend to six years in prison and/or a fine not exceeding ten thousand Qatari Riyals (Art. 322).</p>