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Abstract

Under this law, human trafficking is defined as recruiting, transporting, transferring, harboring, or receiving persons by means of threat or use of force, or other forms of coercion, abduction, fraud, deception, abuse of power or of position, taking advantage of the vulnerability of the person, or, the giving or receiving of payments or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another person for the purpose of exploitation. Exploitation includes all forms of sexual exploitation, engaging others in prostitution, servitude, forced labor, enslavement, quasi-slavery practices, or detachment of organs (Art. 1).

The penalties for committing human trafficking crimes are defined in Art. 2 of the law.

Art. 12 forms the legal basis for the establishment of the National Committee for Combating Human Trafficking, while Art. 13 enumerates the tasks which the Committee shall undertake.