

Issue: Human Trafficking.

Country: Egypt.

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It has been estimated that two hundred thousand to one million street children – both boys and girls – are exploited in prostitution and forced begging in Egypt. Local gangs are, at times, involved in this exploitation. In addition, Men and women from South and Southeast Asia may be subjected to forced labor in Egypt. This issue, not only affecting Egypt, but also is affecting many other countries; rich or poor in the same way such as USA and Somalia.

Egypt, still, does not fully comply with the minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking. However, it is making significant efforts to do so. The government approved a new legislation criminalizing trafficking in persons for labor and sexual exploitation. The new law represents an important step in eliminating severe forms of human trafficking, though its implementation is yet untested. During the reporting period, the government made its first two convictions under the 2008 anti-trafficking amendments to the Child Law. Although the Government still hasn't applied the needed measures, it shall do so in the near future.

The key solution to this issue is education, for with better education comes more awareness on the surroundings, making it impossible to fall victim in these movements. Because of that, I would like to suggest to all countries to work on improving their educational systems. There are also methods such as making sure there is no illegal migration, for that is the main cause of human trafficking. This can be solved through trustworthy customs officials and the employment of thermal goggles in searching to determine life in freight containers. With that, illegal migration will be prevented and human trafficking rates will decrease.