

The United Nations Global Programme against Trafficking in Human Beings

Working to End Trafficking in Children





Between 700,000 and 2 million people are trafficked each year.

No one knows how many are children

But children are highly vulnerable, often unregistered, easily controlled and manipulated.



Almost every country in the world is being used by traffickers to send, receive, or transit children.

It is a global problem that requires a global solution.

Eastern European Routes

Smuggling routes within Eastern Europe and from Eastern Europe to the United States.

1. From Moldova, Ukraine to Romania then to Serbia and then to Albania, Kosovo, and Macedonia.

2. Russia to Berlin and London, and on to Miami, NYC.

3. Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovakia to Austria and on to NYC and Chicago.



Trafficking Routes and Flows are Complex

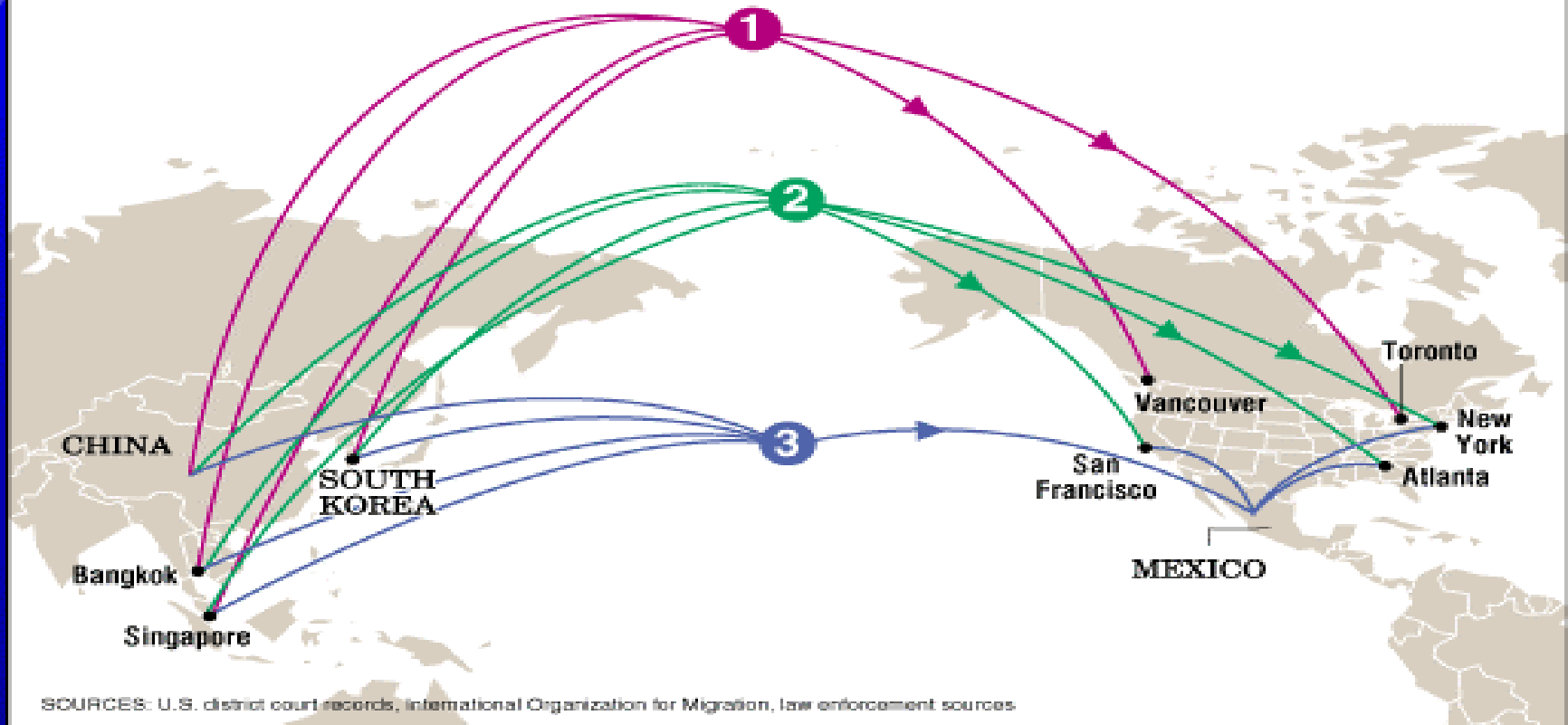
Asian Routes

Simplified smuggling routes from Asia to the United States. Routes also exist between cities in Asia, in Canada and in the United States.

1. From China, Bangkok, Singapore and South Korea to Vancouver or Toronto.

2. From China, Bangkok, Singapore and South Korea to Atlanta, San Francisco or New York.

3. From China, Bangkok, Singapore and South Korea to Mexico, then to Atlanta, San Francisco or New York.



And reach every part of our world.

Global Programme against Trafficking in Human Beings: Objectives

- Improved capacity to ratify the trafficking protocol
- Improved cooperation
- Improved criminal justice responses
- Improved victim/witness protection
- Heightened awareness
- Improved professional skills

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- Asia: The Philippines
- Eastern Europe:
The Czech Republic and Poland
- Latin America: Brazil
- Western Africa:
 - Benin, Nigeria and Togo



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- Database of trafficking/smuggling flows
- Toolkit on promising practices



Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children

Definition (Art. 3)

- **Trafficking in persons**
 - ▶ the recruitment, transportation, or receipt of persons
 - ▶ by means of the threat or use of force, coercion, fraud, and abuse of power
 - ▶ for the purpose of exploitation, which includes sexual exploitation, forced labour, slavery and the removal of organs

- Addresses those who exploit the prostitution of others
- Consent is irrelevant if threat or use of force, coercion, fraud, and abuse of power have been used

Protocol covers:

- ▶ **Criminalization** (Art. 5)
- ▶ **Assistance and protection of victims**
(Art. 6,7,8)
- ▶ **Prevention** (Art. 9)
- ▶ **Information exchange and training** (Art. 10)
- ▶ **Border and other measures**
(Art. 11,12,13)

Assistance and protection of victims (Art.6)

- safety of victims
- protection of privacy and identity
- information about proceedings and right to be heard
- protection of victims from re-victimization

- **Measures for physical, psychological and social recovery**
 - ▶ legal and other counselling
 - ▶ medical, psychological, material and housing assistance
 - ▶ employment, educational and training opportunities
 - ▶ possibility of obtaining compensation
 - ▶ possibility to stay in receiving country



The Protocol requires protection of a child victim's safety and identity, and provides a right to basic care.

But major questions remain concerning trafficked children...



- Where and by whom should protection, support and care for child victims be provided?
- Can victim status and a right for support be conditional?
- Children should have the right to be witnesses but can their protection be secured?
- How can we prevent trafficking by reducing demand?

The Global Programme on Trafficking in Human Beings is working to resolve these questions and protect trafficked children.

*Look for our Anti-Trafficking Toolkit
Available in late 2002*

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