

Dear Parent/Staff member/Childcarer,

Thank you for taking the time to read this. I work with the above organisation in combatting human trafficking in South Africa. It is a far greater reality than one would like to imagine and, being that the school holidays commence in less than two weeks, without being alarmist, I am trying as quickly and efficiently as possible to distribute the relevant information for parents and teachers to equip children with effective knowledge of how to protect themselves.

Please go to our website **www.justiceacts.org** to find out more and take the time to watch our 10 minute documentary 'Selling South Africa's Innocence'.

If you would like for us to bring a presentation to your school and or staff, please contact me on 0728790760 (It's free - 30 - 45 mins), and please circulate this email to staff and parents.

Yours Sincerely,

Greer Eaton

Part of the Counter Trafficking Coalition in the Western Cape

‘The five-week school break during the 2010 FIFA World Cup could lead to hundreds of children being recruited into child prostitution rings and thousands more being trafficked...’

IOM(International Or The Eye on Human Trafficking, 2009



WHAT IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

Human trafficking is the dislocation of someone by deception or coercion for exploitation, through forced prostitution, forced labour, or other forms of slavery.

Simply put, Human Trafficking is MODERN DAY SLAVERY

Trafficking Stats for South Africa

- Between 28,000 to 30,000 children are currently being prostituted in South Africa
- Molo Songololo, 2000
- Half of these are younger than 14 years old
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- Children as young as four are prostituted
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- There are up to 10,000 child prostitutes in Johannesburg
- Sex and Travel, Jack Orlik; The Big Issue 2007
- There are up to 1,000 in Cape Town
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- Up to 1,000 girls are trafficked to South Africa from Mozambique each year
- UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, 2008

For more information please visit www.justiceacts.org

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- 1) Children must be supervised at all times during the World Cup
- 2) Talk to your children about the danger of strangers. (Do not talk to them, accept gifts or go with them.)
- 3) Do not let strangers take photos or engage in long conversation with children
- 4) The majority of children exploited and trafficked will be introduced to this crime by someone they know and trust, so talk to your children about appropriate touch, when to speak out for help and how to call the police.
- 5) Hand out this information sheet.
- 6) Report suspected human trafficking to the helpline **0800 555 999**
- 7) Watch out for unsupervised children, call Childline if necessary. **0800 055 555**

CHILD HELPLINE NUMBERS

Human Trafficking Helpline – 0800 555 999

Police Emergency – 10111

Crime Stop – 0860 010 111

Childline – 0800 055 555

Child Welfare – 0861 424 453

