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From: Hennigan Harry
Sent: 12 November 2015 11:51
To: James Coy; Chapman, Stephen (EPS - CSD)
Subject: FW: Request from the UK Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner

Steve/Jim

Thanks very much for this I do appreciate all you have done.

Thanks

Harry

From: Chapman, Stephen (EPS - CSD)
Sent: 10 November 2015 09:24
To: James Coy
Cc: Hyland Kevin; Hennigan Harry; Ansell Christopher (IASC)
Subject: RE: Request from the UK Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner

Thank you Jim for sending this update to Kevin and his Team. Best regards - Steve

From: James Coy
Sent: 10 November 2015 09:13
To: Chapman, Stephen (EPS - CSD)
Cc: Hyland Kevin; Hennigan Harry; Ansell Christopher (IASC)
Subject: RE: Request from the UK Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner

Good Morning Kevin, Steve, Harry and Chris,

I hope you are all well.

Thank you Kevin, for your kind agreement to speak at our North Wales Conference on Wednesday 24th February 2016, which in effect, will be our 'Final Report' on the current Modern Slavery Project. We hope to focus on 3 areas: What we have achieved, what remains unachieved and what the future now looks like. You are all very welcome.

Thank you also for your support in relation to our forthcoming Cross-Border Conference in North Wales. I will of course share the minutes and actions arising with you all.

Attached is a concise report on the events of 17th October 2014, as they were referred to me by partner agencies involved. Please note that I have no access to police or BF records and have compiled the report from memory. Further details can be obtained from North Wales Police.

The second incident that Steve has referred to is even more scant in detail I am afraid, as I only ever had a brief update from a BF Intelligence Officer. In the 48 hour window of Operation Sail (8-9th June 2015) a total of 19 persons were effectively returned to the Republic of Ireland when Immigration law was invoked in relation to lack of, or false documentation. During this period, it was also reported that there were 3 suspected cases of Modern Slavery, with 3 separate and unrelated potential victims identified.

Each was a lone Romanian female adult, who was travelling lawfully through the Port as an EU citizen, but in each case, was believed to be heading for the sex trade in Greater Manchester. Each was spoken to, but refused any assistance at the Port. Although these cases were identified, I am not aware of what follow-up enquiries were made and the women were allowed to continue their journey.

This second case highlights the fact that we have no national, regional or local policy guidelines in respect of potential adult victims of Modern Slavery, who either do not know, or do not consider themselves to be so. I hope to raise this at our Cross-Border Conference later this month, as issues such as 'Sham Marriage' will be very much on the agenda. Why do we let the problem bury itself in our conurbations, in the UK and Ireland, before we actually start looking for it? What estates, resources and training do we all have to identify it and prevent it happening as it passes us at the Ports?

This Conference is an ideal opportunity to start to work together on these emerging issues and, in the face of ever-dwindling budgets, to look at ways of closing the gaps in 'the thin blue line', whilst also taking up the bigger issues such as the 'Common Travel Area' with the respective central governments with a united voice. There is a mood of conciliation and collaboration between the partner agencies in the regions affected by Holyhead Port at the moment, which I am very keen to nurture. I respectfully ask you to please respond to the contents of this report in the same manner.

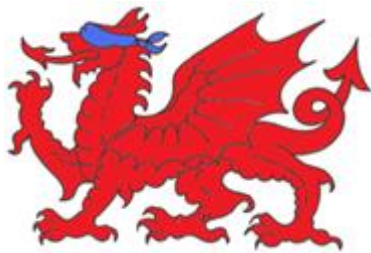
Kind Regards,

Jim

James Coy

Anti-Slavery Co-ordinator for North Wales/

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From: Chapman, Stephen (EPS - CSD)

Sent: 05 November 2015 11:56

To: James Coy

Cc: Hyland Kevin; Hennigan Harry; Ansell Christopher (IASC)

Subject: Request from the UK Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner

Hello Jim

Further to our telephone conversation yesterday afternoon (04/11/15):

- Kevin Hyland is delighted to be invited to speak at the North Wales Anti-Slavery Conference 2016 – Can you please send him the details when the arrangements have been finalised.
- Harry Hennigan is not available to attend your Police/Immigration Joint Working Meeting in North Wales on the 25/26 November. However, can you please copy him and Kevin Hyland into the minutes/action points together with any future joint operating process which may be agreed. Both Kevin Hyland and Harry Hennigan acknowledge the initiative you are leading on to bring about joined up working at Holyhead Port to identify potential victims/perpetrators of modern slavery and make Wales hostile to slavery. *(Kevin Hyland may be able to send another member of his Team but if this is the case it will only be for one day of the meeting and will contact you nearer the time)*
- Please send a comprehensive note to Kevin Hyland, copying in Harry Hennigan, on the incident in which the four potential victims of modern slavery and their perpetrators were returned on the same sailing from Holyhead Port back to the Republic of Ireland. Where known can you please include details of the Police/UK Border Force lead, if any checks were carried out with Europol and the current position of this incident.
- Please send a separate comprehensive note to Kevin Hyland, copying in Harry Hennigan, on the incident in which three Nigerian females suspected of being potential victims of modern slavery were dealt with by UK Border Force during 'Operation Sail' at Holyhead Port. Where known to include details of the UK Border Force lead and the current position of this investigation.

Whilst your Police/Immigration Joint Working Meeting will hopefully identify gaps and provide the solution for future joint working, we need confirmation whether or not the above incidents have been resolved by those organisations responsible.

Both Kevin Hyland and Harry Hennigan are committed to supporting us but need re-assurance the incidents have been resolved correctly and not likely to bring about repercussions, including a breach in international law, which may tarnish all of our good work.

Jim – I know you are away until Monday afternoon (09/11/15) but can you please make this request a priority on your return and reply by close of play on Monday.

Best regards

Steve

Stephen Chapman

Anti-Slavery Co-ordinator
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