



Laws on Human Trafficking in the Americas

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This chart compiles information about laws on human trafficking from the jurisdictions of the Americas. In many cases, the texts are available online and the Internet addresses are included. For others, the chart serves as a guide to the attached materials.

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| Antigua & Barbuda | Trafficking in Persons (Prevention) Act 2010, http://laws.gov.ag/acts/2010/a2010-5.pdf . |
| Anguilla | Trafficking in Persons (Prevention) Act 2010. The Law Library does not yet have this law. General criminal provisions are contained in the Criminal Code, See, for instance, art. 142 (rape of a minor); art. 150 (causing prostitution of a minor); art. 154 (abduction of a minor); art. 161 (rape); art. 169 (causing prostitution of a woman); and art. 172 (detention of women in brothels). https://www.anguillalaws.com/TOC/Pages%20from%20Criminal%20Code.pdf (last visited Oct. 26, 2011). |
| Argentina | <p>1) Argentina enacted comprehensive legislation under Law 26364, Apr. 30, 2008, <i>Prevención y Sanción de la Trata de Personas</i> (Prevention and Sanction of Human Trafficking), http://www.infoleg.gov.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/140000-144999/140100/norma.htm (official source).</p> <p>2) Resolution 1679/2008, June 26, 2008, on <i>Instrucciones a la Gendarmería Nacional Argentina, la Policía Federal Argentina, la Prefectura Naval Argentina y la Policía de Seguridad Aeroportuaria, a crear unidades específicas a los fines de ejercer acciones tendientes a la prevención e investigación del delito de trata de personas</i>, provides instructions to the National Border Patrol, National Police and Coast Guard, and the airport police for the prevention and investigation of the crime of human trafficking, http://www.infoleg.gov.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/140000-144999/142010/norma.htm (official source).</p> <p>3) Resolution 2149/2008, Aug. 6, 2008, on the <i>Creación de la Oficina de Rescate y Acompañamiento a las personas Damnificadas por el Delito de Trata</i>, creating the Office of Rescue and Care of Victims of Human Trafficking, http://www.infoleg.gov.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/140000-144999/143388/norma.htm (official source).</p> <p>4) General Resolution 3072/2011, Mar. 22, 2011, on the <i>Procedimiento. Detección de situaciones de contratación de mano de obra que importen graves violaciones a las normas laborales, previsionales o sobre higiene y seguridad en el trabajo. Denuncia penal e información a otros organismos</i>, on the procedures to detect labor contracts that may involve violations of labor and criminal laws, http://www.infoleg.gov.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/180000-</p> |

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| | <p>184999/180600/norma.htm (official source).</p> <p>5) Decree 936/2011, July 6, 2011, on the <i>Protección Integral de la Mujer</i>, to promote the eradication of the distribution of messages or images that stimulate or encourage sexual exploitation, http://www.infoleg.gov.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/180000-184999/184133/norma.htm (official source) & its implementation under Resolución 14/2011, July 20, 2011, http://www.infoleg.gov.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/185000-189999/186941/norma.htm (official source).</p> <p>6) Resolution 565/2011, Aug. 4, 2011, on the <i>Prevención y Sanción de la Trata de Personas y Asistencia a sus Víctimas</i>, to require ground transportation companies to broadcast an advertisement on human trafficking during each trip, http://www.infoleg.gov.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/185000-189999/185333/norma.htm (official source).</p> <p>7) Resolution 742/2011 Aug. 17, 2011, on <i>Prevención y Sanción de la Trata de Personas y Asistencia a sus Víctimas Protocolo de Actuación de Fuerzas Federales para Rescate de Víctimas de Trata de Personas</i>, on protocols for federal authorities to rescue human trafficking victims, http://www.infoleg.gov.ar/infolegInternet/verNorma.do?id=185854 (official source).</p> |
| Aruba | Wetboek van Strafrecht Van Aruba [Criminal Code of Aruba], as published in CENTRAAL WETTENREGISTER, June 4, 2008. Text in Dutch attached (<i>see arts. 203a & 286a</i>). |
| The Bahamas | Trafficking in Persons (Prevention and Suppression) ch. 16, 2010, STATUTE LAW OF THE BAHAMAS, http://laws.bahamas.gov.bs/cms/images/LEGISLATION/PRINCIPAL/2007/2007-0027/TraffickinginPersonsPreventionandSuppressionAct_1.pdf (last visited Oct. 26, 2011). |
| Barbados | Transnational Organized Crime (Prevention and Control) Act 2011, §§ 8-13. This Act has not yet been received by the Law Library. It is available online from the Barbados Parliament, http://barbadosparliament.com/htmlarea/uploaded/File/Bills/2010/Transnational%20Organized%20Crime%20Bill,%202010.pdf . Additional legislation that may be relevant includes the following: (1) The Sexual Offences Act, cap. 154 & the Offences Against the Person Act, cap. 141 contain criminal offenses that may be applicable, such as rape, kidnapping, and child stealing; and (2) Immigration offenses are provided for in the Immigration Act, cap. 190, which contains prohibitions against the entry into Barbados of certain prohibited persons (copies attached). |
| Belize | Trafficking in Persons Prohibition Act of 2003, THE LAWS OF BELIZE (rev. ed. 2000), available at http://www.belizelaw.org/lawadmin/index2.html . |

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| Bolivia | <p>1) Law 3325, Jan. 18, 2006, on <i>Trata y Tráfico de Personas y otros delitos relacionados</i>, which includes the crime of human trafficking in the Criminal Code, http://www.gparlamentario.org/spip/IMG/pdf/LEY_3325- Trata_y_trafico_de_personas - Bolivia.pdf (official document).</p> <p>2) Bill on the Law on <i>Trata y Tráfico de Personas</i>, a comprehensive statute on human trafficking that is pending congressional approval, http://www.derechoshumanosbolivia.org/archivos/biblioteca/ley_de_trata_y_trafico_de_personas.pdf (last visited Oct. 24, 2011).</p> <p>3) Supreme Decree 28297, Aug. 17, 2005, creating the <i>Consejo Nacional de Lucha contra el Tráfico y la Trata de Personas</i> [National Council on Fight Against Human Trafficking], http://www.acnur.org/t3/fileadmin/scripts/doc.php?file=biblioteca/pdf/6584.</p> |
| Brazil | <p>All URLs listed here are for the website of the Brazilian Presidency.</p> <p>1) Decree-Law No. 2,848, Dec. 7, 1940 (Penal Code), arts. 148, 149, 206, 207, 231, 231-A, 245, & 288, http://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/Decreto-Lei/Del2848compilado.htm.</p> <p>2) Law No. 6,815, Aug. 19, 1980, arts. 125(VII), & 125(XII), http://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/Leis/L6815.htm.</p> <p>3) Lei No. 8,069, June 13, 1990 (Child and Adolescent Statute), arts. 237, 238, & 239, http://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/Leis/L8069Compilado.htm.</p> <p>4) Decree No. 5,948, Oct. 26, 2006, approved the National Policy to Combat Trafficking in Persons and established the Inter-Ministerial Working Group for the purpose of elaborating a proposal for a National Plan to Combat Trafficking in Persons, http://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/ Ato2004-2006/2006/Decreto/D5948.htm.</p> <p>5) Decree No. 6,347, Jan. 8, 2008, approved the National Plan to Combat Trafficking in Persons and established the Advisory Group for the Evaluation and Dissemination of the Plan, http://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/ Ato2007-2010/2008/Decreto/D6347.htm.</p> |
| Canada | <p>Trafficking in Persons is a crime under sections 279.01–279.04 of Canada’s Criminal Code, 2005 S.C. ch. 43, § 3, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-46/page-127.htm.</p> |
| Cayman Islands | <p>Trafficking in Persons (Prevention and Suppression) Law, 2007, GAZETTE 23, SUPP. 2 (Nov. 13, 2007), http://gazettes.gov.ky/gazette-supplements/2007/13/11/gazette-23-supplement-2 (official source).</p> |
| Chile | <p>1) Law 20507, Apr. 8, 2011, <i>Tipifica los Delitos de Tráfico Ilícito de Migrantes y la Trata de Personas y Establece Normas para su Prevención y más Efectiva</i></p> |

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| | <p><i>Persecución Criminal</i>, adopts the crime of illegal human trafficking of migrants, http://www.leychile.cl/Navegar?idNorma=1024319&buscar=trafico+migrantes&r=1 (official source).</p> <p>2) Decree 2821, Aug. 19, 2008, creates the <i>Mesa Intersectorial sobre Trata de Personas</i> [the Intersectorial Roundtable on Human Trafficking], http://www.leychile.cl/Navegar?idNorma=276177&buscar=trafico+migrantes&r=1 (official source).</p> |
| Colombia | <p>1) Law 985, Aug. 29, 2005, enacting a comprehensive law against human trafficking and for the protection of its victims, http://www.secretariasenado.gov.co/senado/basedoc/ley/2005/ley_0985_2005.html (official site).</p> <p>2) Law 747, July 19, 2002, amending the Criminal Code to add the crime of human trafficking, http://www.secretariasenado.gov.co/senado/basedoc/ley/2002/ley_0747_2002.html (official site).</p> <p>3) Law 679, of Aug. 3, 2001, enacting a statute on the prevention and counteraction of child exploitation, pornography, and sex tourism, http://www.secretariasenado.gov.co/senado/basedoc/ley/2001/ley_0679_2001.html (official site).</p> <p>4) Decree 4319, Nov. 30, 2006, creating a special fund to fight against human trafficking, http://www.acnur.org/t3/fileadmin/scripts/doc.php?file=biblioteca/pdf/6588 (official source).</p> |
| Costa Rica | <p>1) Law No. 8720, Feb. 12, 2009, on protection of victims, witnesses, and other persons involved in criminal proceedings; which amends and adds to the Criminal Procedure Code and Penal Code, art. 15, page 4, amends Penal Code, art. 172, page 13, <i>available at</i> the Global Legal Information Network (GLIN) database, http://content.glin.gov/summary/218817. <i>See also</i> Penal Code, arts. 374, 376 & 377 (copy attached).</p> <p>2) Law No. 8754, Against Organized Crime, July 22, 2009, arts. 16 (j, k) & 41, <i>available at</i> http://content.glin.gov/summary/220913.</p> <p>3) Executive Decree No. 35144-MG-MTSS, Mar. 4, 2009, creating the Immediate Response Team for Situations of Human Trafficking, <i>available at</i> http://content.glin.gov/summary/219663.</p> <p>4) Executive Decree No. 32824-G, Nov. 8, 2005, creating the National Coalition Against the Illicit Traffic of Migrants and the Slave Trade of Persons, <i>available at</i> http://content.glin.gov/summary/175068.</p> <p>5) Executive Decree No. 34199-G-MSO-J-MEP-S-MTSS-RREE, Mar. 12, 2007, amending Executive Decree No. 32824-G & adding several provisions to it, http://imprasc.net:29572/Basededatoslegal/Legislacionnacional/Documents/Costa%20Rica/Migraci%C3%B3n/8%20Coalicion%20contra%20trafico%20migrantes%202007.pdf.</p> |

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| | <p>6) Law of Migration and Aliens, Nov. 22, 2005, arts. 54(c), 63, 123(e), 237(c), & 245–247, <i>available at</i> http://content.glin.gov/summary/175020.</p> <p>7) Law No. 7425, Aug. 9, 1994, adopting provisions concerning search, attachment, and examination of private documents and intervention of communications, art. 9, <i>available at</i> http://content.glin.gov/summary/126834; amended by Law No. 8238, Mar. 26, 2002, <i>available at</i> http://content.glin.gov/summary/138377. This legislation covers instances in which the court can authorize intervention in communications by the police. Human trafficking cases are among the instances cited in art. 9.</p> |
| Cuba | Ley 62, Código Penal [Cuba Penal Code] <i>as amended</i> , arts. 302, 310-312, 314, 316 & 317, GACETA OFICIAL [Official Gazette] No. 3, Dec. 30, 1987. Copies of the cited legal provisions from an edition of the Code published by the Cuban Department of Justice are attached. |
| Dominica | Immigration and Passport (Amendment) Act, 2003, No. 19, Nov. 28, 2003, DOMINICA LAWS (Roseau: By Authority, 1954–) (amending the Immigration and Passport Act, ch. 18:01, of the LAWS OF DOMINICA/PREPARED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE LAW REVISION ACT (Gov’t. of the Commonwealth of Dominica, 1991–)) (copy attached). This amendment contains provisions on human trafficking. |
| Dominican Republic | Ley 137-03 Sobre Tráfico Ilícito de Migrantes y Trata de Personas [Law 137-03 on Illicit Traffic of Migrants and Human Trafficking], GACETA OFICIAL [Official Gazette] No. 10233, Oct. 8, 2003, available in Spanish on the website of the Dominican Republic’s Department of Justice, http://transparencia.pgr.gob.do/Marco-Legal/pgr/20100724-ley-no-137-03-sobre-trafico-ilicito-migrantes-trata-personas.ashx . |
| Ecuador | <p>1) Law amending the Criminal Code to include the crime of human trafficking, June 15, 2005, http://www.acnur.org/t3/fileadmin/scripts/doc.php?file=biblioteca/pdf/6032 (unofficial site).</p> <p>2) Law 1823, Oct. 12, 2006, enacting the National Plan to Combat Human Trafficking, http://www.acnur.org/t3/fileadmin/scripts/doc.php?file=biblioteca/pdf/6589 (unofficial site).</p> <p>3) Law 1981, Aug. 31, 2004, creating the Inter-institutional Commission against Human Trafficking, http://www.acnur.org/t3/fileadmin/scripts/doc.php?file=biblioteca/pdf/6591 (unofficial site).</p> |
| El Salvador | Human trafficking is covered in the Penal Code, arts. 367-B & 367-C (see attachment from edition published in 2009). |

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| Falkland Islands | <p>No specific trafficking of persons legislation. Certain British criminal laws were adopted, including the Offences Against the Person Act 1861, c. 100, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/Vict/24-25/100/contents/enacted, which includes the offenses of rape and abduction; the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 1976, c. 82, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1976/82/contents; the Sexual Offences Act 1985, c. 44, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1985/44/contents; the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 1992, c. 34, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1992/34/contents; and the Sexual Offences (Conspiracy and Incitement) Act 1996 c. 29, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1996/29/contents. Immigration offenses may also be relevant, specifically the Immigration Ordinance, Title 52.2, §§ 14, 16 & 24 (copies attached).</p> |
| French Guyana, Guadeloupe, & Martinique | <p>These three jurisdictions are considered overseas <i>départements</i> and French law applies pursuant to article 73 of the 1958 Constitution. Laws related to human trafficking:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Law 2003-239 on Internal Security, which became part of the Penal Code as arts. 225-4-1 to 225-4-9. Available in French from LEGIFRANCE, http://legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do;jsessionid=B8E9B49ED6CDC7615AE005F5A69149B2.tpdjo16v_2?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006165299&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070719&dateTexte=20111018 (last visited Oct. 18, 2011); English text (through 2003) at http://195.83.177.9/code/liste.phtml?lang=uk&c=33&r=3717. 2) A Ministry of Justice Circular 2003-07 E8/03/06/2003 7 provided guidance on how to interpret the original 2003 Law (<i>see</i> Ministry of Justice Official Bulletin at http://www.justice.gouv.fr/bulletin-officiel/dacg90d.htm (last visited Oct. 18, 2011)). 3) The Code of Entry and Stay of Foreigners contains provisions on the admission of foreign nationals who are victims of human trafficking and who cooperate with the judicial authorities in arts. R. 316-1 to R. 316-5 (<i>see</i> Code, at LEGIFRANCE, http://legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do;jsessionid=6F28DE05E802F7D2C8EF05145FDC1E29.tpdjo01v_2?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006163269&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070158&dateTexte=20111018). Provisions on protecting, welcoming, and lodging those same foreign nationals are contained in arts. R316-6 to R. 316-10 (<i>see</i> Code, at LEGIFRANCE, http://legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006163270&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070158&dateTexte=20111018) (both last visited Oct. 18, 2011). 4) Code of Social Action and Families, art. L 345-1 provides that places in shelters are open to receive trafficked victims under reassuring conditions (<i>see</i> Code, at LEGIFRANCE, http://legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do;jsessionid=9F8091B4FCB88BF77AE6D0ED590FC699.tpdjo03v_1?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA |

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| | <p>000006157691&cidTexte=LEGI TEXT000006074069&dateTexte=20111018 (last visited Oct. 18, 2011)).</p> <p>5) Code of Criminal Procedure, art. 706-3, allows victims of trafficking to seek compensation before the Commission for the Compensation of the Victims of Crimes (<i>see</i> Code at LEGIFRANCE, http://legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do;jsessionid=9F8091B4FCB88BF77AE6D0ED590FC699.tpdjo03v_1?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006138122&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006071154&dateTexte=20111018 (last visited Oct. 18, 2011)).</p> |
| Grenada | <p>As of 2010, there is no criminal offense of human trafficking in Grenada's Criminal Code. <i>See</i> UN Human Rights Council, <i>Report of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review: Grenada</i> (June 16, 2010), http://ap.ohchr.org/documents/dpage_e.aspx?c=73&su=81.</p> |
| Guatemala | <p>Human trafficking is covered in the Penal Code art. 194, <i>as amended in 2005</i>; text in Spanish <i>available at</i> http://content.glin.gov/summary/163410. In addition, <i>see</i> Penal Code art. 202 (copy attached).</p> |
| Guyana | <p>Combating Trafficking of Persons Act, 2005, <i>cited in</i> Ministry of Foreign Affairs, <i>Guyana's Response to OHCHR Request for Information on the Implementation of UNHRCc Resolution 11/3 – Trafficking In Persons, Especially Women And Children</i> (Oct. 16, 2009), http://www.minfor.gov.gy/tsite/images/minfor_docs/questionnaires/trafficking_in_persons.pdf. Text of Act not available in the Law Library's collections.</p> |
| Haiti | <p>No specific law on human trafficking. Generally relevant law includes the Law of May 13, 2003, Prohibiting and Eliminating all Forms of Abuse, Violence, and Inhuman Treatment of Children, <i>available at</i> the GLIN database, http://content.glin.gov/summary/83859 (in French).</p> |
| Honduras | <p>Human trafficking is covered in the Penal Code arts. 149 & 195 (<i>see</i> attachment from edition published in 2009).</p> |
| Jamaica | <p>1) Trafficking in Persons Act, 2007, THE ACTS OF JAMAICA: PASSED IN THE YEAR 2007 (copy attached). 2) The Child Care and Protection Act, 2005, Ministry of Justice website, http://www.moj.gov.jm/laws/statutes/The%20Child%20Care%20and%20Protection%20Act.pdf.</p> |
| Mexico | <p>Mexico is a federal republic formed by thirty-one states and a federal district, Mexico City. The states and the federal district have their own local laws concerning human trafficking. A compilation of state laws on the topic updated through 2010 is available in Spanish on a website maintained by Mexico's</p> |

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| | <p>Department of Interior, http://www.derechoshumanos.gob.mx/es/DerechosHumanos/Legislacion_en_entidades_federativas (last visited Nov. 1, 2011).</p> <p>At the federal level, the following statutes and regulations penalize human trafficking (all texts are in Spanish and the links are from the Mexican House of Representatives' website):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Ley para Prevenir y Sancionar la Trata de Personas [Law to Prevent and Penalize Human Trafficking], <i>as amended</i>, Diario Oficial de la Federación [D.O.], Nov. 27, 2007, http://www.diputados.gob.mx/LeyesBiblio/pdf/LPSTP.pdf. 2) Reglamento de la Ley para Prevenir y Sancionar la Trata de Personas [Regulation of the Law to Prevent and Penalize Human Trafficking], D.O., Feb. 27, 2009, http://www.diputados.gob.mx/LeyesBiblio/regley/Reg_LPSTP.pdf. 3) Ley Federal Contra la Delincuencia Organizada [Federal Law against Organized Crime], <i>as amended</i>, art. 2 (IV, V, VI), D.O., Nov. 7, 1996, http://www.diputados.gob.mx/LeyesBiblio/pdf/101.pdf. 4) Código Penal Federal [Federal Penal Code], <i>as amended</i>, arts. 201–205 bis & 366 ter, D.O., Aug. 14, 1931, http://www.diputados.gob.mx/LeyesBiblio/pdf/9.pdf. |
| Nicaragua | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Penal Code, arts. 182, 315, & 318 (<i>see</i> attachment from edition published in 2008). 2) Law No. 735 for the Prevention, Investigation, and Prosecution of Organized Crime and the Administration of the Goods Seized, Confiscated and Abandoned, Sept. 9, 2010, arts. 3(8 & 9) & 37(b), <i>available at</i> the Organization of American States website, http://www.oas.org/juridico/MLA/sp/nic/sp_nic_ley735.pdf. |
| Panama | <p>Código Penal de la República de Panamá [Panama Penal Code], <i>as amended</i>, arts. 177–180, 183, 186–188, 203–205, 436, 437 & 443, GACETA OFICIAL [Official Gazette] No. 26057, June 9, 2008. Copies of the cited legal provisions as provided by a commercial version of the Panama Penal Code published in 2010 are attached.</p> |
| Paraguay | <p>Law 1160 of 1997 enacted the Criminal Code; it was amended by Law 3440, July 16, 2008, which includes crimes of human trafficking in arts. 125, 129b and 129c, http://www.senado.gov.py/leyes/ups/leyes/7405.doc (official site).</p> |
| Peru | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Law 29009, Apr. 27, 2007, granting the executive the authority to legislate in human trafficking matters, among other matters, http://www.acnur.org/t3/fileadmin/scripts/doc.php?file=biblioteca/pdf/6599 (official source). 2) Law 28950, Jan. 12, 2007, amending the Criminal Code to include the crimes of human & migrant trafficking, http://www.congreso.gob.pe/ntley/Imagenes/Leyes/28950.pdf (official site) & its Regulation, Supreme Decree 007-2008-IN, Nov. 20, 2008, <i>available at</i> http://www.contralatrata.org/docs/pa/ley-reglamentotrata-peru.doc (unofficial site). 3) Law 28251, June 7, 2004, amending the Criminal Code to include the crime of |

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| | <p>human trafficking for sexual exploitation, http://www.congreso.gob.pe/ntley/Imagenes/Leyes/28251.pdf (official site).</p> <p>4) Supreme Decree 002-2004-IN, Feb. 19, 2004, creating the Inter-sectorial Working Group on human trafficking, <i>available at</i> http://www.seguridadidl.org.pe/normas/2004/peruano/febrero/002-2004-in.htm (unofficial site).</p> <p>5) Directive 004-2007-IN, Feb. 28, 2007, on the procedure for the entry, registration, consultation on, and reporting of data into the registry and statistics system on human trafficking and related crimes, <i>available at</i> http://www.acnur.org/t3/fileadmin/scripts/doc.php?file=biblioteca/pdf/6600 (unofficial source).</p> <p>6) Supreme Decree 004-2011-IN, Oct. 18, 2011, adopting the Action Plan 2011–2016 on Human Trafficking, http://www.mininter.gob.pe/userfiles/DS-MIN-004-2011(1).pdf (official source).</p> |
| Puerto Rico | Puerto Rico Penal Code, 33 L.P.R.A. §§ 4780, 4781, 4934(1-c, 2-b). For your convenience, copies of these provisions as provided by Westlaw in Spanish are attached. |
| St. Kitts & Nevis | Trafficking in Persons (Prevention) Act, 2008, No. 32. Notice of Act's adoption appeared in 103:34 ST. CHRISTOPHER & NEVIS OFFICIAL GAZETTE (EXTRAORDINARY), Sept. 24, 2008, at 2. The text of this Act is not available in the Law Library's collections. |
| St. Lucia | Counter-Trafficking Act, 2010, <i>cited in</i> US DEPARTMENT OF STATE, 2011 TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS REPORT – ST. LUCIA (June 17, 2011), <i>available at</i> http://www.unhcr.org/refworld/country,,,LCA,4562d94e2,4e12ee482,0.html (last visited Nov. 3, 2011). Text of Act is not available in the Law Library's collections. |
| St. Vincent & the Grenadines | No specific trafficking of persons legislation. The Criminal Code, cap. 124 contains provisions on offenses against the person, including sexual offenses (§§ 122–148), and abduction, kidnapping, and similar crimes (§§ 199–207) (copies attached). Immigration offenses may also be relevant, specifically the Immigration (Restriction) Act, c. 78, which prohibits the entry of certain people (copies attached). The printed laws are current to 2003. |
| S. Georgia & S. Sandwich Islands | A small, largely uninhabited set of islands. Information unavailable (there is a gazette, but the Law Library only has a few holdings of these laws up to 2004). |
| Suriname | The Criminal Code was amended in April 2006 to add provisions on human trafficking, adding art. 249a. The text of the amendments in Dutch, from 2006:6 STAATSBLAD VAN DE REPUBLIEK SURINAME (Apr. 27, 2006), is attached. Text of the Code as amended through 2004, in Dutch, is available from the National |

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| | Assembly website, at http://www.dna.sr/images/wetten/8/wetboek%20van%20strafrecht.pdf (last visited Oct. 18, 2011). |
| Trinidad & Tobago | No specific laws on human trafficking. There are some general criminal provisions that would be applicable in the Criminal Law (as last amended in 2000). <i>See</i> , for instance, art. 48, (abducting a girl from her parents or guardians); and art. 54 (child stealing), http://rgd.legalaffairs.gov.tt/Laws2/Alphabetical_List/lawspdfs/11.08.pdf . . . |
| Turks & Caicos | At present there is no law on the subject, but the government is in the process of passing legislation that makes trafficking in persons a specific criminal offense. The Bill that is being considered could not be located from available online or print sources. <i>See</i> Richard Green, <i>Border Control & Labour Restructure Progressing</i> , FT TURKS & CAICOS (Oct. 27, 2011), http://www.fptci.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=2978:border-control-a-labour-restructure-progressing&catid=18:local&Itemid=26 (official website). |
| Uruguay | 1) Law 18250, Jan. 17, 2008, on Migration, arts. 78–80 (on human trafficking), http://www0.parlamento.gub.uy/leyes/AccesoTextoLey.asp?Ley=18250&Anchor (official site). 2) Law 9155, Dec. 4, 1934, enacting the Criminal Code, arts. 280 (on slavery) and 281 (on illegal deprivation of freedom of movement), available at http://www0.parlamento.gub.uy/Codigos/CodigoPenal/12t11.htm (official site). 3) Law 17815, Sept. 14, 2004, on Sexual Violence, Commercial or Non-Commercial, against Children, Adolescents and the Disabled, art. 6, http://www0.parlamento.gub.uy/leyes/AccesoTextoLey.asp?Ley=17815&Anchor (official site). |
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| Virgin Islands | <p>The Criminal Code (Amendment) Act, 2007 (amending the Criminal Code, 1997), VIRGIN ISLANDS OFFICIAL GAZETTE (Feb. 8, 2007), http://www.bvigazette.org/extrfile/G00029_Criminal%20Code%20%28Amendment%29%20Act,%202007.pdf.</p> |

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