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1. Introduction



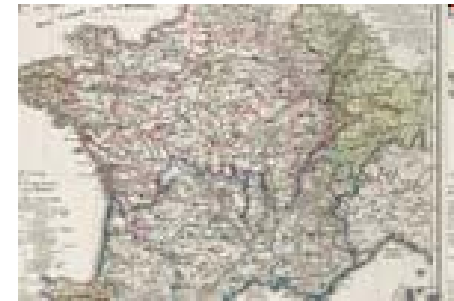
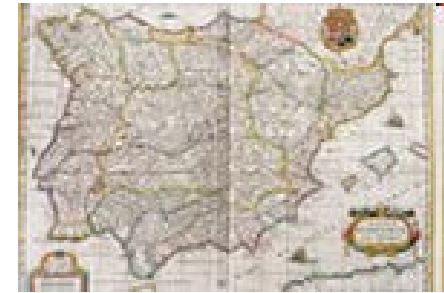
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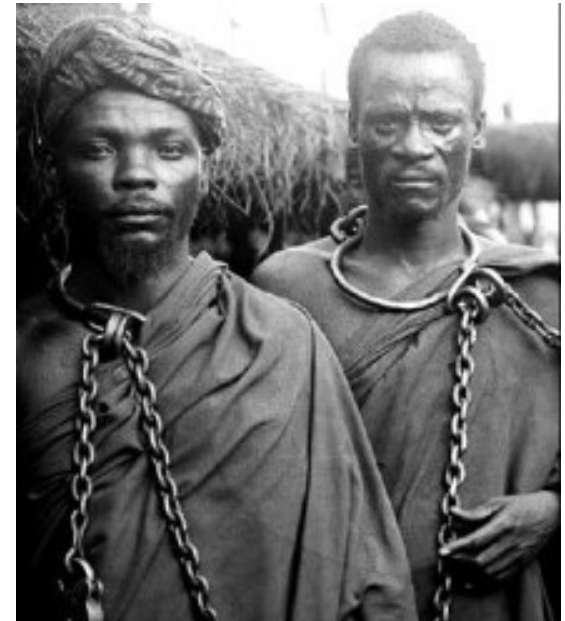
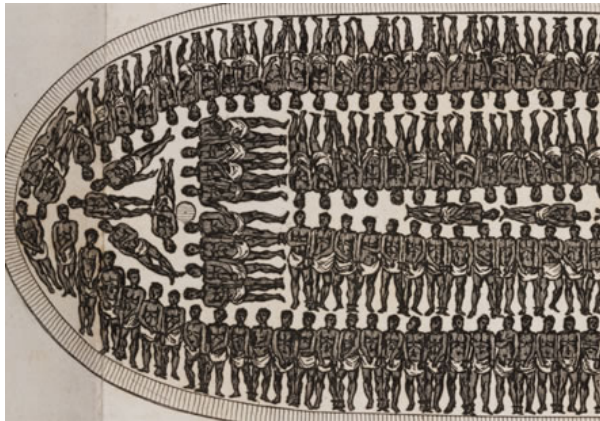
Transatlantic Slavery

1501 - 1866 : 12,521,336





Slavery was a Public Crime





Slaves were used as cheap labour



**10 LIKELY and VALUABLE
SLAVES
AT AUCTION.**

**On THURSDAY the 24th inst.
WE WILL SELL,**
*In front of our Office, without any kind of limit or reserve for cash,
AT 11 O'CLOCK,*

10 AS LIKELY NEGROES
As any ever offered in this market ; among them is a man who is a superior Cook and House Servant, and a girl about 17 years old, a first rate House Servant, and an excellent seamstress.

BROOKE & HUBBARD,
Auctioneers.

Wednesday, July 23, 1823.





Today

- Slavery still exists: Trafficking in Human Beings
- Between 20-30 million people are enslaved in some form worldwide – more than at any time in history
- Modern slavery takes many different forms: abuse in prostitution, labour exploitation and the forced removal of organs
- THB is a major worldwide problem
- Linked to organised crime
- Lucrative business: estimated revenues → more than 12 billion Euro per year

Human trafficking takes place in secret: it's a **hidden crime**. This complicates identification.



Identification of victims is crucial

- It is the gateway to protection and physical safety
- It ensures access to vital services
- It ensures access to justice
- It can lead to more criminal investigations
- It may help disclose other crimes
- It is also an effective preventive measure against this crime

That takes frequent and compulsory training for those who may come into contact with victims and traffickers.



2. THB Numbers in the Netherlands



Number of possible victims in the NL

Year	Number
2009	909
2010	993
2011	1222
2012	1711
2013	?



Top 10 Nationalities in NL (possible victims) January – December 2012

Woman		
1	Netherlands	273
2	Hungary	128
3	Nigeria	69
4	Romania	61
5	Bulgaria	59
6	Sierra Leone	44
7	Poland	31
8	Guinea	26
9	Macedonia	26
10	Brazil	11

Men		
1	Romania	15
2	Nigeria	13
3	Poland	10
4	Pakistan	9
5	Sierra Leone	9
6	Angola	7
7	China	7
8	Ghana	7
9	Guinea	7
10	India	6



Top 10 Nationalities in NL (possible victims) January – August 2013

Woman		
1	Netherlands	157
2	Romania	118
3	Hungary	109
4	Bulgaria	61
5	Nigeria	25
6	Guinea	25
7	Sierra Leone	19
8	China	15
9	Poland	11
10	Slovakia	10

Men		
1	Netherlands	15
2	Philippines	11
3	Nigeria	8
4	Guinea	8
5	India	5
6	Mongolia	4
7	Sierra Leone	4
8	Angola	3
9	Bulgaria	3
10	Bangladesh	3



3. IND: Gateway to the Netherlands





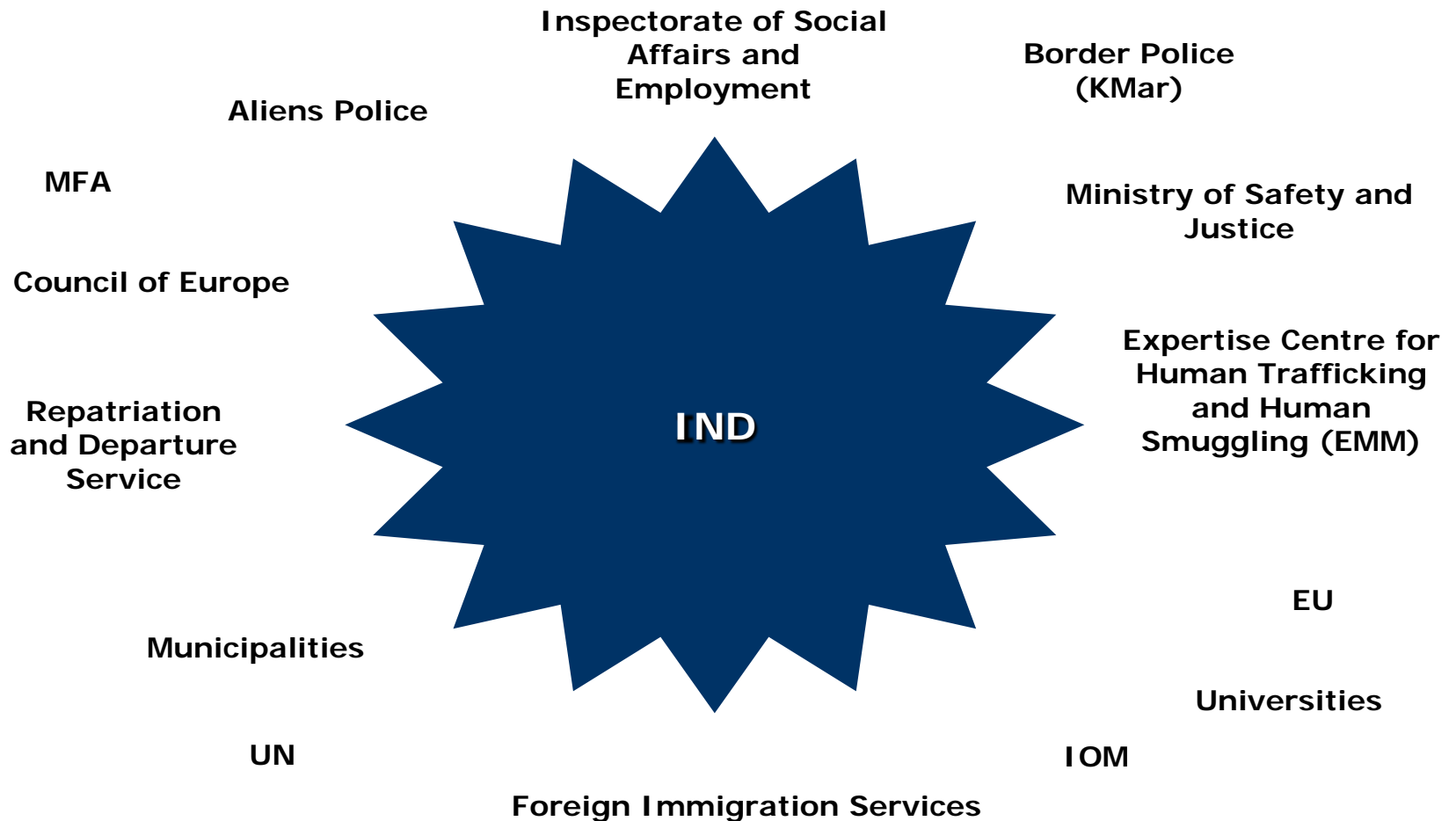
The Netherlands Immigration and Naturalisation Service (IND)

The admissions organisation of the Netherlands is responsible for handling all applications of individuals who want to reside in the Netherlands or to become a Dutch citizen.

Therefore, it is the gateway to the Netherlands.



IND cooperates closely with different national and international partners, such as:





The Netherlands Immigration and Naturalisation Service (IND)

Traffickers often try to illegally circumvent migration procedures.

IND officials are in a position to detect signs of THB at a very early stage: during visa, migration and asylum procedures

IND is an important actor in the fight against THB!



4. IND Mission and Vision on THB



IND Mission and Vision on THB

2013: 'Human Trafficking: the Mission and Vision of the IND'

This report:

- describes the **role** and **responsibilities** of the IND in fighting THB; and
- contains a set of **recommendations** to improve the contribution of the IND in combating THB and protect its victims.

Recommendations include:

- Plan of Action: 2 year project
- Awareness raising activities (Directive 2011/36/EU)
- IND Barrier model
- Referral Mechanism
- Improved IND organisation



IND Mission and Vision on THB

Important recommendation is: **Training of IND staff.**

According to Directive 2011/36/EU there is a training obligation for migration officials to be adequately trained in order to identify victims.

In **2014** a few hundred IND officials will receive intensive trainings on identifying victims of trafficking.



EU project

EU Project: 'Development of common Guidelines and Procedures on the Identification of Victims of Trafficking'

Guidelines and practical tools will be used during IND trainings.

Documents are in the process of being translated from English into Dutch.



5. Conclusions



Conclusions

- THB is a hidden crime: complicates identification
- The IND is an important actor in the fight against THB
- Cooperation crucial: at national and international levels
- IND officials can detect signs of THB at a very early stage
- According to Directive 2011/36/EU there is a training obligation for migration officials
- In 2014, a few hundred IND officials will receive intensive trainings on identifying victims.



Thank you for your attention!

Questions?