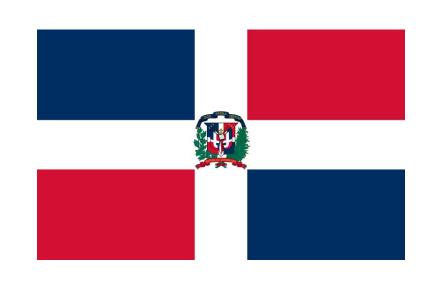




PROGRESS OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC REGARDING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS AND MIGRANT SMUGGLING

Meeting of the Liaison Officers Network to Combat Migrant Smuggling and Trafficking in Persons





National Plan Against Migrant Smuggling and

Trafficking in Persons

<u>2017 - 2020</u>

Strategic axes at national level.

Prevention

(training, campaigns, talks)

Persecution and processing

(investigation of crimes, prosecution of cases, etc.)

Protection and assistance to victims

(consular assistance, psychological assistance, legal, health, shelter, documentation, support for return and social reintegration, etc.)





Progress of the National Action Plan

Intersectoral consultations have been carried out between government, civil society and international organizations.

The matrices of planning of the axes of prevention, persecution and protection of victims have been worked on.

The presentation of the new version of the Plan is expected in the first quarter of 2018.





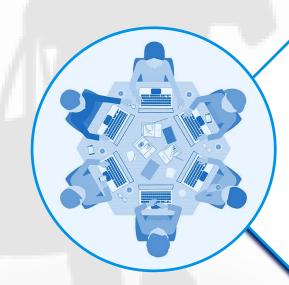


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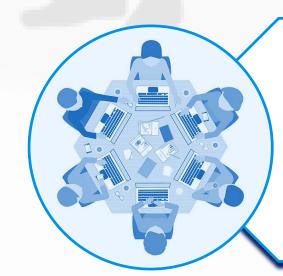
TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS



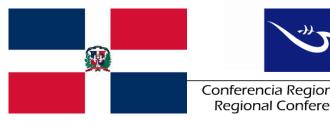
Inter-institutional Commission to Combat Trafficking in Persons and Migrant Smuggling, CITIM.



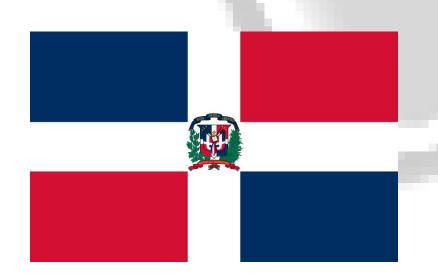
Committee for the Protection of Migrant Women, CIPROM.



Specialized Procurator's Office to combat migrant smuggling and trafficking in persons.







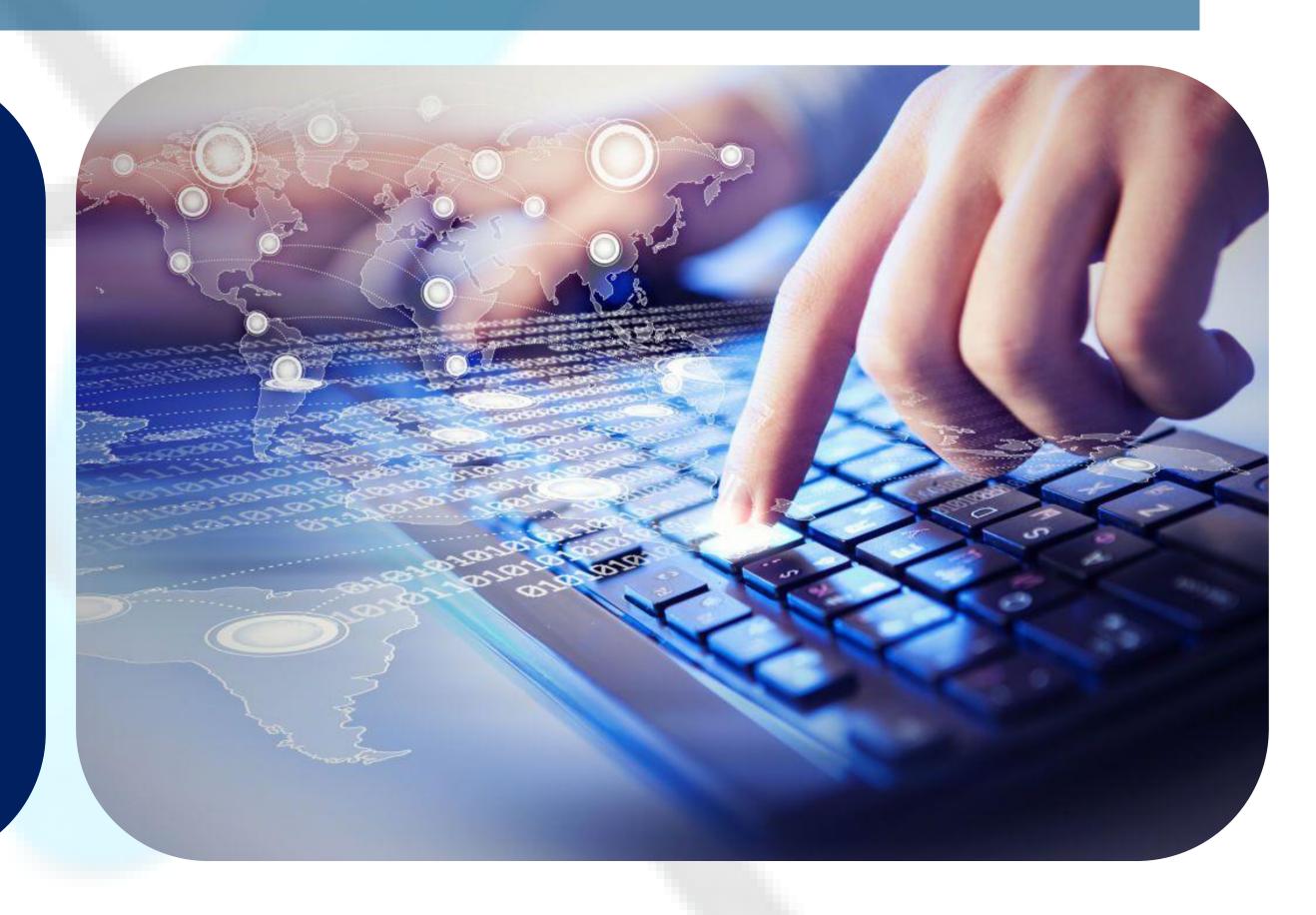


PROGRESS IN INVESTIGATION AND PERSECUTION

The Information System and operational monitoring of cases of migrant smuggling and trafficking in persons (SISOTT)

Created with the technical assistance of the ACP-EU Action on Migration, the financing of the European Union (EU) and the development and implementation of the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

Initially, created as a pilot for the Specialized Attorney in the interest of improving the management of investigations of these crimes and facilitate the production of information for decision making and accountability at national and international level.





Operational Guidelines for the Investigation of Illicit Trafficking in Migrants and Trafficking in Persons

Prepared with the technical assistance of the ACP-EU Action on Migration, the financing of the European Union (EU) and the development and implementation of the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

The objective is to allow the Public Prosecutor and investigators to effectively carry out investigations into cases related to these crimes.



Workshop to strengthen human and institutional capacities in the investigation of crimes linked to irregular migration, 22-24 November 2017, Santo Domingo.

Aimed at judges, prosecutors and investigators, to expand their knowledge and skills in the procurement of justice on the typical behaviors of trafficking in persons and migrant smuggling crimes, the applicable international provisions, including international cooperation and assistance, as well as the effective identification,

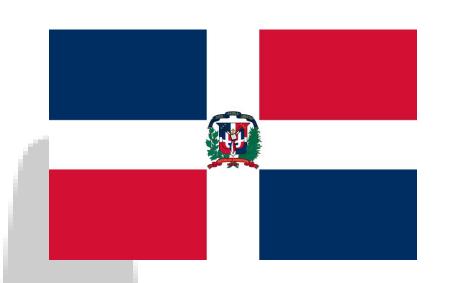
Taught by the Organization of American States, OAS, within the framework of the "Prevention of crimes linked to irregular migration in Mesoamerica" program.

investigation and prosecution of these crimes.











PROGRESS REGARDING ASSISTANCE AND PROTECTION TO VICTIMS

Signature of Memorandum of Understanding between the Social Policy Coordination Cabinet, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Attorney General's Office and the National Institute of Migration, dated June 23, 2017.

The objective is to combine technical, administrative and financial efforts among the signatory entities, in order to establish technical cooperation actions for the creation of a *Pilot Program for the Protection and Reintegration of Dominicans deported and returned, including the victims of trafficking and trafficking.* of people.







Residence Visa to trafficking in persons victim

In 2014, as a protection measure, the migratory regularization was approved with a work visa to a Chinese national, survivor of labor exploitation, renewed annually.

In 2017, a residence visa has been approved to grant the resident's immigration status, in continuity with the measure of protection and guarantee of their human rights as a survivor of trafficking.



Specialized home for adults victims of human trafficking

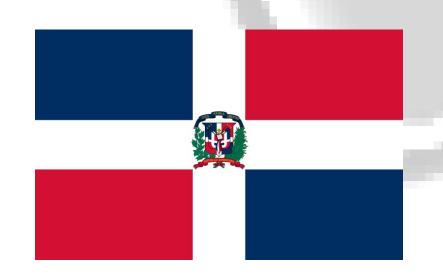
It was opened in May 2016, for temporary use, in which national and foreign victims were assisted.

Currently, it is in the process of signing a collaboration agreement to cede the administration of the Home for permanent use, in charge of the Catholic Congregation of the Oblate Sisters of the Most Holy Redeemer.











STATISCAL REPORT JANURARY-JUNE 2017.

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Trafficking in persons	
Cases prosecuted	12
Imputed persons	14
Cases under investigation	27
Identified Victims	25
Condemnatory sentences	8
Convicted Persons	10



Statistical report

Migrant Smuggling	
Cases prosecuted	7
Imputed persons	10
Cases under investigation	20
Smuggled persons	63
Condemnatory sentences	5
Convicted Persons	6



