

# *Asia Pacific Justice Peace Network*

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## **Statement on Anti-Human Trafficking**



**“Work zealously with women and children, especially those who are trafficked, forced to migrate and oppressed by abject poverty. We support projects for economic justice, confront unjust systems and take a corporate stance when appropriate”**

*....Excerpt from the 29<sup>th</sup> Congregational Chapter Direction Statement, 2009....*

*We, the Good Shepherd Asia Pacific Justice Peace Network represent nineteen (19) countries in this region. Our special mission is to girls and women who are exploited and marginalized. We have come together to share stories and insights, explore challenges and maximize our participation in anti-human trafficking work.*

*From our experiences, we recognize human trafficking as an assault against the dignity of the human person and a violation of human rights.*

***We strongly condemn*** all forms of human trafficking, in particular the exploitation of women and children who are economically deprived and vulnerable

***We call on our governments*** to take responsibility making anti-human trafficking laws where there are none and enforce laws where they currently exist

***We urge governments*** to take a stand and commit themselves to anti-human trafficking initiatives through law enforcement and to address the poverty situation through the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)



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## **We commit ourselves to:**

- *Listen to the voices of trafficked women and girls whom we recognize as having much wisdom about their experience*
- *Conduct education and training programs on anti-human trafficking*
- *Promote campaigns and advocacy work on anti-human trafficking*
- *Provide women-friendly shelters in the Asia Pacific region to help survivors of human trafficking*
- *Carry out comprehensive prevention, rehabilitation and repatriation work to victims / survivors of human trafficking*
- *Develop and strengthen networking on the local, regional and international levels in collaboration with NGOs and GOs and other faith based organizations*
- *Maximize sharing of our resources for the elimination of human trafficking in persons*
- *Stop the demand side of human trafficking*
- *Provide alternative sources of livelihood to women through economic justice projects*

*The Good Shepherd Sisters and their lay partners along with many other networks affirm that human trafficking is a very complex issue and a rapidly accelerating global problem. As such, we strongly advocate a systematic, integrated and holistic approach in order to take a corporate stance in combating human trafficking.*

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