**Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs I.**

**The question of human trafficking:**

Every year great numbers of people are smuggled into the European Union by traffickers. A large percentage of them end up in prostitution, others fall victim to forced labour, organ trade and illegal adoption. What can be done to fight this modern-day slave trade?

*Dear delegates,*

*The MEP Conference in Vienna is only a few weeks away, and it is the highest time to start preparing the committee meetings. This document will help you with this. The topic of your committee is the human trafficking; the question of how the EU can fight modern-day slave trade. The links provided below could help you find useful information on this subject, but also feel free to do some research on your own. You are expected to know what human trafficking is and what the EU currently does to prevent human trafficking. Reading the documents below is not mandatory, but it can be very useful.*

*I would like to encourage you to start thinking about this problem and possible solutions. Ask yourself the question: how can we improve the current EU-policy for the better? Good luck!*

*If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.*

*Anne Zandberg*

**First of all, it is important to know what modern-day slave trade is:**

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Contemporary_slavery> (look at paragraph 2)

<http://nomoreslavery.com/what-is-modern-day-slavery/>

*A basic explanation of the problem:*

<http://www.theguardian.com/global-development/2013/apr/03/modern-day-slavery-explainer>

**Slave trade in the EU:**

*The website of the European Commission on Human Trafficking (you can take a look at ”EU Policy” and “Publications):*

<http://ec.europa.eu/anti-trafficking/>

*In this document you will find an explanation of the current policy of the EU:*

<http://ec.europa.eu/anti-trafficking/EU+Policy/New_European_Strategy>

*You can find all the publications of the EC concerning human trafficking here:*

<http://ec.europa.eu/anti-trafficking/Publications/>

*Some statistics:*

<http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/what-we-do/policies/pdf/infographics_ht_in_eu_en.pdf>

*How prostitution is dealt with across Europe:*

<http://www.theguardian.com/global-development/interactive/2013/dec/11/prostitution-europe-map-human-trafficking-sweden>

**Anti-slavery organizations (EU- and other international organizations):**

*Anti-slavery:*

<http://www.antislavery.org/english/>

*Stop Modern Slavery:*

<http://www.stopmodernslavery.org/>

*etc.*

**Some TEDtalks on modern slavery:**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cWcVPpxezE0>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ij_6iMi9gA>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WwB6bPgPol4>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bscKRPkR328>