

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

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Excerpts from the Concluding Observations on the 8th periodic report of Ukraine: relevant to and potentially impacting sex workers, collated by NSWP.

Trafficking and exploitation of prostitution

- 31. The Committee recommends that the State party:
 - (a) Fully enforce its legislation on trafficking in persons and increase the financial resources allocated to the implementation of laws and programmes to combat trafficking;
 - Build the capacity of the judiciary, law enforcement officers, border control officers, social workers and health workers with respect to the early referral of victims of trafficking and gender-sensitive ways to deal with them;
 - Address the root causes of trafficking by enhancing educational and economic opportunities for women and girls and their families, thereby reducing their vulnerability to exploitation by traffickers;
 - Provide shelters and crisis centres specific to women, exit and reintegration programmes and alternative income-generating opportunities for women who are victims of trafficking and for women who wish to leave prostitution;
 - Intensify efforts aimed at bilateral, regional and international cooperation to prevent trafficking in persons.