

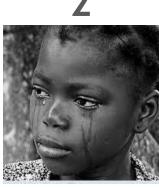
# IDENTIFICATION OF THB VICTIMS

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## POSSIBLE EXERCISE 3 MIGRANTS PROFILES

## IDENTIFY POTENTIAL VICTIMS AND EXPLAIN WHY







**Country:** Ghana **Country:** Eritrea **Country:** Nigeria **Place of origin:** Aflao (Volta region) Place of origin: Keren (Anseba region) **Place of origin:** Benin City (Edo State) Ethnic group: Ewe Ethnic group: Tigriynia Age: claims to be 20 Age: claims to be 18 (looks Documents: none **Age:** 22 younger) **Documents:** none Situation: Documents: none Situation: Acts like she is travelling alone, but it Situation: Travels with a small group. is visible that she travels with a group Travels with a man that she says it's Seems to know the other members of of 4 women (3 younger and one older, her father. Shows no familiarity around 40y). the group. with him and no physical Carries a bag and some personal items She gives contradictory information resemblance. Wants to go to Sweden, to Malmo, about the journey and personal Doesn't carry personal items. where she has a sister. situation. Doesn't know where she is going She can explain the route (Eritreia-As few personal items, that include (country or city), but say she will be small notes with Bible verses. Sudan-Libya) joining family. As some dissimulated signs of physical Cannot give information about the Behaviour: Seems afraid to talk to abuse route and travel. authorities. But talks freely with her Behaviour: Shows an aggressive Behaviour: Show signs of distress. attitude when asked guestions. group She is shy and avoids eye contact. When asked questions looks to the She is able to explain parts of the trip Looks to the "father" when you ask older women. and the arrangements made her questions, looking for answers. Seems afraid to answer.

### Keep in mind:



Victims of trafficking include men, women and children



# Victims of THB are victims of a crime not criminals

### Keep in mind:



Identification is fundamental to assist and protect the rights of victims



THB is a human rights violation - victims might need special protection



In many cases the victims may not identify themselves as victims of THB and/or ask for help

#### **THB Indicators:**

- An indicator is a signal that should attract the attention of the officer.
- > It is a clue
- ➤ They are <u>not evidence</u>
- > There are general basic indicators and specific indicators

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### General basis indicators:

- > Age
- Gender
- Location of Origin
- Documents
- Last location
- > Transport
- Signs of abuse or mistreatment/self-harm
- Behaviour

Indicatiors may vary:

- Type of exploitation
- In time
- In place (may even be local)

#### Most common types of THB are those for:



#### With means of **control** used by traffickers

### **Child victim of THB**

By identifying a potential victim of trafficking, you can contribute to:

- > Help **prevent** criminal acts and continuation of exploitation
- Contribute to the protection of (potential) victims
- Facilitate and start procedures for the prosecution of traffickers

The identification is crucial to allow victims to receive:

- > Assistance
- Protection (including international protection)

What kind of assistance should be provided (before, during and after):

- Information and communication
- Medical, psychological and emotional
- Direct support

### Information and communication to VOT

Use of trustworthy and impartial Interpreter

Keep in mind that the victim might suffer from TRAUMA

Obtain informed consent for examinations (medical or physical)

### Information and communication to VOT

### Legal Social security mechanisms

### Always inform what is happening and why

Always inform who you are what is your role And the role of others

### Information and communication to VOT

Confirm that she/he understood what was told

<u>Never</u> <u>make</u> <u>promises</u> <u>that you</u> <u>can't keep</u> Provide any available informative leaflet (and explain)

> Protect their privacy and confidentiality (accordingly to national law)

#### Victim risk assessment



