

TRAFFICKING VICTIMS' WAIT FOR CITIZENSHIP IS REDUCED.

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Victims of human trafficking and sexual exploitation no longer have to wait in limbo while their

captors are prosecuted. The Federal Government has decided that those lured here for jobs, then

forced into prostitution, can apply to live and work here legally.

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services said victims can apply for a status called deferred

action while the court cases are still going on. They may also get fees waived. Trafficking victims

who help the police investigate their employers are also able to get special visas.



A BRITISH WOMAN CONVICTED OF SLAVERY.

Saeeda Khan, a former hospital director who forced an African woman to work 18 hours a day

has been convicted of slavery. She was ordered to pay the victim, Mwanahamisi Murke, twenty

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five thousand pounds in reparation. Murke was trafficked from Tanzania in 2006.

Khan was spared prison sentence, because of her poor-health. "Your own behavior was

callous and greedy", the judge said. Murke was initially paid ten pounds per week, but even this

poor allowance was stopped within a year. The court had heard how Murke was brought to

Britain after working at a hospital in Dar es Salaam in Tanzania.

"I felt like a fool, I was treated like a slave, I was hoping I would receive a salary and improve

my life, but my hopes were dashed", Murke said.



ISRAEL DEPORTS A NIGERIAN COUPLE AND THEIR BABY.

A Nigerian family has been deported from Israel after being held at a detention centre at the

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Ben-Gurion Airport for three days. An organization that helps foreigners said the incident may mark the beginning of mass deportation of some foreigners and their children.

Just days before the deportation, the interior minister had ordered the immigration authority to postpone by several months the deportation of foreign workers' children who attend Israeli schools.

This same organization called the deportation of the Nigerian family "inhumane." They also said, "No Western country deports children who were born in it."

MOTHERS SEEK RETURN OF DEPORTED SPOUSES AFTER COURT RULING.

The mothers of several Irish citizen children have called on the Government to facilitate their husbands' speedy return to the country following their deportation. Many were failed asylum seekers, while others had circumvented immigration laws.

The request follows the ruling in the European Court of Justice, Europe's highest court, that the

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non-European Union parents of an EU citizen child must be allowed to live and work in the EU

states so as not to deprive them of the rights of EU citizenship.

Halyna Ivasiv, a mother of three young children, has asked the State to return her Nigerian

husband, Pantaeleon Agbath, as soon as possible to allow them live as a family in Tralee, Co

Kerry. Another mother, Olaitan Oloyede, who lives with her three Irish citizen children in Co

Kildare, made a similar request following her husband's decision to leave voluntarily when he

was served with a deportation order. "He looked after the children while I worked. Now it is a

nightmare trying to keep my job and look after the children," she said.

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