3rd World Congress against sexual exploitatio of women and girls

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The system of sexual exploitation is destructive in a society. The congress presents internationally successful solutions in the fight against prostitution and human trafficking:

Over the past 20 years, Sweden, Iceland, Norway, Canada, Northern Ireland, France and the Republic of Ireland have banned the purchase of sex - with positive results: The demand for prostitution has fallen, trafficking in human beings has declined. The image of women in these societies has also changed, because the legislation makes it clear that women are not commodities!

Germany, on the other hand, with its liberal legislation, has become the "brothel of Europe".

The World Congress wants to contribute to the Enlightenment and will develop action steps for a society without prostitution. The aim is to introduce the Nordic model (ban on sex shopping) in Germany as well.

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Prostitution: Weder Sex noch Arbeit

Mainzer Erklärung

Thursday 4 April 2019

Open letter to the Chancellor, Government and Parliament of Germany.

Ban the purchase of sex and running of brothels! Offer real alternatives and exit options to victims of prostitution!

Put an immediate end to the State's sponsored sexual exploitation of women, which violates human dignity and Germany's obligations under international human rights law!

We, German and international survivors of prostitution and trafficking for sexual exploitation, frontline NGOs providing direct support to victims of these crimes, human and women's rights' activists, organisations and movements combatting all forms of sexual and sexist violence are shocked, hurt and appalled by the German legislation and public policies on prostitution. Since 2002, German Government has organised and protected a system of massive sexual exploitation and human rights violations of the poorest and most vulnerable women.

Gathered in Mainz on the occasion of the 3rd World Congress against the sexual exploitation of women and girls1, we solemnly call upon the German Chancellor, Government and Parliament to put an immediate end to the State's sponsored sexual exploitation of the most marginalised women.

In order to do so, we urge the German Government to:

• Respect its international obligations by criminalising the exploitation of prostitution, including the running of a brothel and making any form of profit from someone else' s prostitution;

 Recognise that purchasing sexual access to a person's body based on their financial constraints, not their physical desire is a form of sexual and sexist violence and prohibit the purchase of sex;

• Ensure neither punitive policies or legislation nor specific controls or registration are imposed on prostituted individuals, who should never be punished for their own exploitation.

• Establish a nation-wide exit policy, with programmes offering protection, assistance and socio-economic support to victims of prostitution and trafficking. These must include access to social housing, residency permits for foreign victims, physical and psychological healthcare, education and professional insertion;

• ecognise the responsibility of the German State for the sexual exploitation of several hundreds of thousands of women, and provide financial compensation for victims of prostitution and trafficking whose exploitation in State's licensed brothels has been permitted and encouraged by the 2002 and 2017 prostitution legislation.

We urge Chancellor Merkel and the heads of all political parties to receive a delegation of the signatories before the end of May 2019. The Government needs to criminalise the exploitation of prostitution of others and the purchase of sex, close brothels, and offer effective protection, social support and economic alternatives to victims of prostitution and trafficking in Germany. We are determined to obtain this, including through domestic and international legal actions to ensure that Germany starts fulfilling its international human rights obligations by the end of 2019.

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