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Article in Brief

Trafficker of nine boys executed by lethal injection in central China

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2009-03/27/content_11086662.htm

Xinhua Net, 27 March 2009: The man convicted of leading a gang that trafficked nine boys in central China's Henan Province, was executed Thursday by lethal injection with the approval of the Supreme People's Court.

Ye Zengxi, 55, and his younger brother, Ye Xiaolin, led a gang to capture nine boys between April to December 2007 in Xixian County, Henan. The trafficking gang used Ye Xiaolin's then 11-year-old nephew to lure the children away from their parents with toys or food. The boys, aged from two to seven years old, were sold to rural families for 12,000 yuan to 33,000 yuan each in Henan and the neighboring Shandong Province, according to the Nanyang Intermediate People's Court. Ye Zhenxi was in charge of contacting potential buyers while his son and daughter-in-law were responsible for the transit, reception, supervision and transfer of the boys, as well as assisting with money transfers.

Ye Zengxi was executed, his brother was given a death sentence with a two-year reprieve by the Supreme People's Court and was deprived of political rights for life. All his possessions were confiscated.

About 60,000 kids in Southeast Asia trapped in sex industry

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2009-03/19/content_11035616.htm

Xinhua Net, 19 March 2009: About 60,000 children in Southeast Asia were being exploited in commercial sexual businesses, the Jakarta Post said Thursday. "The number of victims of the sexual abuse is on the increase. It is affecting every country, not only in the Southeast Asia," said Frans van Dijk, the regional director of Terre des Hommes Netherlands, a Dutch aid body focusing on children.

Law enforcement was not sufficient to combat the case as poverty and lack of education had been the main cause of the problem, he said. The director asked the governments to take the issue more seriously.

EU proposes tougher punishments for child sexual abuse and human trafficking

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2009-03/25/content_11073022.htm

Xinhua Net, 25 March 2009: The European Commission on Wednesday proposed tougher punishments for child sexual abuse and human trafficking. Announced by European Commission Vice President Jacques Barrot who is responsible for justice affairs, the proposals are aimed at replacing two existing legislations which took effect in 2004 and 2002 respectively.

Under the proposal on child sexual abuse, offenders will be imprisoned for at least six years instead of one year at present. Offenses in aggravating circumstances will get 10 years instead of five years. Sexual abuses that may endanger the life of children will get 12-year sentences.

The proposal on human trafficking intends to broaden the definition of human trafficking to include the trafficking of human organs and set out stricter punishments for offenders. The proposal offers non-prosecution and better protection of victims of human trafficking. Victims will receive accommodation and medical care and if necessary police protection for better recovery from their plight and the courage to testify against their perpetrators. They will also receive free legal aid throughout the proceedings.

Obama Nominates Lou de Baca as Trafficking Office Head

http://humantrafficking.change.org/blog/view/obama_nominates_lou_de_baca_as_trafficking_office_head

End Human Trafficking, 26 March 2009: This week President Obama nominated long-time, tenacious human trafficking prosecutor [Lou de Baca](#) to lead the State Department's Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, a position sometimes called "America's Anti-Slavery Czar". The Ambassador-at-Large position is arguably the most powerful anti-trafficking post in the country. Lou de Baca's background is heavily focused on labor trafficking. It is hoped that his background will lead the TIP Office into developing new programs to address all forms of modern day slavery.

河南淅川县拐卖9名儿童案犯被执行死刑

<http://news.qianlong.com/28874/2009/03/27/3042@4924705.htm>

新华网， 2009 年 3 月 27 日，河南省淅川县特大拐卖儿童案主犯叶增喜 26 日被注射药物执行死刑。同案另一主犯叶晓林被最高人民法院改判为死刑，缓期二年执行，剥夺政治权利终身，并处没收个人全部财产。

经司法机关审理查明，2007 年 4 月至 2007 年 12 月，被告人叶晓林利用年仅 11 岁的侄子叶某，以买玩具、食品为诱饵，先后将淅川县 9 名两岁至 7 岁的男孩拐骗。被拐骗的儿童由叶晓林的哥哥叶增喜联系买主。叶增喜的儿子、儿媳为其提供中转、接送、看护、转移拐卖信息，并提供汇款帮助。这些儿童以每人 12000 元至 33000 元不等的价格，被卖到河南省新乡市、山东省东明县等地。

东南亚有大约六万名儿童遭荼毒 沦入性产业

<http://www.swissinfo.org/chi/news/international/detail.html?siteSect=143&sid=10475713&Key=1237493839000&ty=ti>

新华网， 2009 年 3 月 19 日，根据雅加达邮报周四的报道，东南亚有大约六万名儿童沦入性产业。荷兰儿童援救组织 Terre Des Hommes 地区主任范迪克指出：“性产业受害的儿童人数在持续增加，此现象不仅发生在东南亚，而在各国都存在。”

范迪克认为贫困和教育的缺乏是儿童沦入性产业的主要原因，因此光靠执法机构的努力是不够的。他呼吁各国政府正视这个严重问题。

欧盟计划严打针对儿童的性犯罪和拐卖人口犯罪

http://www.humanrights.cn/cn/dt/gjbb/t20090326_432979.htm

中国人权网，2009 年 3 月 26 日：欧盟委员会 25 日出台两项立法建议，计划严惩针对儿童的性犯罪和拐卖人口犯罪，保护受害者。

负责司法事务的欧盟委员会副主席雅克·巴罗当天公布了这两项立法建议的内容。在针对儿童的性犯罪方面，欧盟计划把处罚标准从 1 年监禁提高到 6 年，情节严重的，由 5 年提高到 10 年，可能危及儿童生命的性犯罪处罚标准为 12 年监禁。

针对拐卖人口的立法建议扩大了拐卖人口犯罪的定义，把人体器官买卖列入其中，并加大了对该类犯罪的惩处力度，规定不得对被拐卖人口进行司法追究，并要为其提供住所、医疗服务等。协助警方破获拐卖人口案件的被拐卖者还将获得在欧盟成员国居留的权利。

奥巴马提名卢·迪巴卡为美国国务院反拐办公室主任

http://humantrafficking.change.org/blog/view/obama_nominates_lou_de_baca_as_trafficking_office_head

消除人口拐卖网，2009 年 3 月 26 日：美国总统奥巴马本周提名反对拐卖人口检察官卢·迪巴卡为美国国务院监督与打击人口拐卖办公室的负责人，该职位有时被称为“美国的反奴役之王”。这个特使的职位可以说是在美国反对拐卖人口方面最具影响力的职位。卢·迪巴卡曾主要从事以打击剥削劳工为目的拐卖犯罪方面的工作，希望他能够根据自己的工作经验带领监督与打击人口拐卖办公室，开发新的项目，以打击所有不同形式的现代奴役犯罪。

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