IOM Trinidad and Tobago: Terms of Office

Agreed Terms of Reference for IOM Port of Spain office:

1) Training
   • Assistance in the facilitation of programmes for the training of Immigration Officers in areas such as document examination, intelligent profiling, customer service, etc.
   • Assistance in the facilitation of programmes for police officers and other officials of the judicial and legal services on the issue of human trafficking.

2) Establishment of a Data Sharing Mechanism (Pilot)
   • Liaison with the relevant agencies within the Government of Trinidad and Tobago to determine the current practices related to the collection of migration data.
   • Assessment of the current human resource and infrastructure that impacts upon the collection of migration data.
   • Enhancing regional communication and information sharing through this mechanism.
   • Assistance via technical advice with implementing appropriate mechanisms for the efficient recording of movement of persons across the borders of Trinidad and Tobago.

3) Migrants without Leave to Stay
   • Provision of assistance to the Ministry of National Security in collaboration with the Ministry of Social Development, NGOs and other identified stakeholders, in exploring appropriate structures for the shelter of migrants and asylum-seekers.
   • Liaison with governmental, inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations in undertaking programmes to facilitate voluntary returns and reintegration of migrants without leave to stay.

4) Initiatives to Counter Human Trafficking:
   • Assistance in the implementation of the Caribbean Counter-Trafficking Initiative in Trinidad and Tobago.
   • Assistance with the public-awareness campaign and establishment of a hotline.
   • Assistance in coordinating, in conjunction with national authorities, appropriate shelters as well as voluntary return and reintegration for those perceived to be victims of trafficking.
   • Assistance in the facilitation of sensitization training to Social Workers, Prison Officers and other members of the national community on measures to be taken when identifying and treating victims of human trafficking.

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