



MODERN SLAVERY AT SEA

Connections between Migrants and Our Faith, Food, and Economy

Are you familiar with these terms?

Human trafficking: The illegal trading of human beings for the purpose of commercial sexual exploitation or forced labor; a modern-day form of slavery. It is the fastest growing criminal industry in the world, and second largest, tied with the illegal arms industry and second only to the drug trade.

Labor trafficking: “The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion.” (Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000). Victims are forced to work against their will under threat of violence/ punishment. Their freedom is restricted; a degree of ownership is exerted.

Sexual trafficking: Sexual trafficking is a modern-day form of slavery in which a commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such an act is under the age of 18.

Involuntary domestic servitude: Nonconsensual labor exploitation in an informal workplace, often a home and often connected to the victim’s off-duty living quarters.

Debt-bondage: An illegal practice in which traffickers tell their victims that they owe money (often relating to the victims’ living expenses and transport to another country) that they must repay by labor or commercial sex services.

Transparent Global Supply Chain: A set of checks on organizations, people, activities, information, and resources involved in moving a product or service from supplier to customer that ensures there are no hidden agendas or conditions, and includes the free availability of full information to verify compliance with rules and regulations.

Do you buy any of these products?



Ways to take action



Educate

<http://bit.ly/USCCBToolkit>

U.S. Bishops Conference Toolkit offers talking points, sample letters to the editor, prayer card, intercessory prayers, community engagement ideas, and more.



Be an ethical consumer

www.seafoodwatch.org Helping people make better seafood choices for a healthy ocean

<http://www.greenpeace.org/usa/oceans/tuna-guide/>

Annual ranking of top tuna brands based on “how sustainable, ethical, and fair their tuna products are for our oceans and for the workers who help get the products to our shelves.”

2017 Tuna Shopping Guide

BEST BRANDS

- #1 Wild Planet
- #2 American Tuna
- #3 365 Brand (Whole Foods)
- #4 Ocean Naturals
- #5 Hy-Vee
- #6 Wegmans
- #7 Giant Eagle
- #8 Albertsons
- #9 Aldi
- #10 Ahold Delhaize

WORST BRANDS

- #11 Kroger
- #12 Target
- #13 Costco
- #14 Supervalu
- #15 Chicken of the Sea
- #16 Trader Joe's
- #17 Bumble Bee
- #18 Great Value (Walmart)
- #19 H-E-B
- #20 StarKist



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