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Preventie van mensenhandel in Centraal en Oost Europa

European Commission
Ms Paraskevi Michou
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Dear Ms Paraskevi Michou,

We are contacting you to request further information about the mandate of the EU Anti-Trafficking Coordinator and the appointment process. La Strada International, the Platform against Trafficking in Human Beings, comprises 25 specialist anti-trafficking organisations as members and one associate member, representing 19 European (EU and non EU) countries. For us, it is very important that a new EU Anti-trafficking Coordinator is appointed next year.

In 2010, the first EU Anti-Trafficking Coordinator was appointed and started on March 1, 2011. In 2010 when the EU Anti-trafficking Coordinator position was established, the administrative procedures described that the mandate was for a period of five years and was non-renewable. On March 1, 2016 the mandate of the current Anti-trafficking coordinator was [extended](#) in DG Migration and Home Affairs (HOME) for another four years, and thus should finish on February 29, 2020.

The post of the EU Anti-trafficking Coordinator is highly important. We therefore expect a transparent process for the selection and appointment of a qualified person, who should come with new forward looking strategies and ideas for addressing this pressing issue of human trafficking in all its facets at the European level.

Thanking you in advance for updating us on the schedule for the procedure. As the mandate ends already in February 2020, we hope we can receive information soon. Looking forward for your reply,

Your sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Suzanne Hoff'.

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