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U.S. Embassy Announces Grants for Anti-Trafficking in Persons Programs

Trafficking in persons is a modern-day form of slavery, a new type of global slave trade. Unfortunately, Guinea is not immune to this plague. Guinea has been identified as a source, transit and destination country for men, women and children trafficked for the purposes of forced labor and sexual exploitation. The United States Government is committed to combating this serious 21st century challenge, and all nations that are resolved to end human trafficking, including Guinea, have a strong partner in the United States.

The United States Embassy in Guinea is accepting proposals from non-governmental organizations, international organizations and government agencies for global, regional and country-specific anti-trafficking in persons programs. Our mission is to end human trafficking by prosecuting traffickers, protecting victims, and preventing trafficking in persons. Some examples of the types of programs the U.S. Government seeks to fund worldwide are:

- Technical assistance to improve anti-trafficking legislation;
- Development of anti-TIP written policies and procedures for law enforcement agencies;
- Implementation of improved procedures for law enforcement to identify and rescue victims, conduct investigations, protect and assist victims, and prosecute traffickers;
- Training for law enforcement, immigration officials, prosecutors, and judges;
- Development, enhancement, or expansion of comprehensive services for adult and child victims of sex trafficking and forced labor;
- Improving the effectiveness of laws that can be used to prosecute traffickers who offend while serving abroad as members of peacekeeping units;
- Regional or global projects.

For further information and to apply for this grant, please visit the website of the U.S. Embassy at <http://guinea.usembassy.gov>, or visit the U.S. Embassy to receive the application materials. Proposals are due at the Embassy no later than February 1, 2008.