This page shows a sample country narrative. The tier ranking justification for each country in this year’s Report appears in the first paragraph of each country narrative and includes language that explicitly highlights the factors supporting a given tier ranking. The Prosecution, Protection, and Prevention sections of each country narrative describe how a government has or has not addressed the relevant TVPA minimum standards (see page 44), during the reporting period. This truncated narrative gives a few examples.

**COUNTRY X: TIER 2 WATCH LIST**

The Government of X does not fully meet the minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking; however, it is making significant efforts to do so. The government demonstrated significant efforts during the reporting period by undertaking awareness raising efforts to increase law enforcement efforts to identify and prosecute trafficking and to protect victims. The government had conducted a comprehensive anti-trafficking study in 2018 and continues to carry out a comprehensive anti-trafficking strategy. The government also conducted a comprehensive investigation into human trafficking cases and made significant efforts to increase law enforcement efforts to identify and prosecute trafficking and to protect victims. The government had conducted a comprehensive anti-trafficking study in 2018 and continues to carry out a comprehensive anti-trafficking strategy. The government also conducted a comprehensive investigation into human trafficking cases and made significant efforts to increase law enforcement efforts to identify and prosecute trafficking and to protect victims.

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COUNTRY X:**

- Apply formal procedures to identify vulnerable groups, such as those arrested for prostitution, and collect data on trafficking victims.
- Implement counter-trafficking law enforcement efforts.
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**PROSECUTION**

The Government of Country X decreased efforts to investigate and prosecute traffickers. The government continues to investigate and prosecute traffickers. The government did not identify any trafficking cases during the reporting period. The government did not prosecute any traffickers during the reporting period. The government did not identify any trafficking cases during the reporting period. The government did not prosecute any traffickers during the reporting period. The government did not identify any trafficking cases during the reporting period. The government did not prosecute any traffickers during the reporting period.

**PROTECTION**

Country X maintained minimal efforts to protect victims of trafficking during the reporting period. Although health care facilities reportedly refer suspected abuse cases to the government anti-trafficking shelter for investigation, the government continues to lack a systematic procedure for law enforcement to identify victims of trafficking among vulnerable populations, such as foreign workers awaiting deportation and women arrested for prostitution. As a result, victims may be punished and automatically deported without being identified as victims of trafficking. The government reported that the Ministry of the Interior has a process by which it refers victims to the trafficking shelter; however, this process is not utilized in practice. The trafficking shelter assists 21 individuals during the reporting period and provided them with a wide range of services, including medical treatment and legal and job assistance.

**TRAFFICKING PROFILE**

As reported over the past five years, Country X is a transit and destination country for men and women subjected to forced labor and, to a much lesser extent, forced prostitution. Men and women from South and Southeast Asia, East Africa, and the Middle East volume as laborers and domestic servants, but also indicative of involuntary servitude. Of serious harm, including threats of withholding of pay, restrictions against the confiscation of passports, and medical, mental, and sexual abuse. In February, individuals employed as domestic servants were particularly vulnerable to trafficking since they are not covered under the provisions of the labor law. A small number of foreign workers transit Country X and are forced to work on farms in Country Y. Country X is also a destination for women who migrate and become involved in prostitution, but the extent to which these women are subjected to forced prostitution is unknown.

**SUMMARY OF THE GOVERNMENT’S EFFORTS TO PREVENT HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

The government has made efforts to reduce the demand for commercial sex acts, and, if applicable, participation in international sex tourism by its nationals.