

## Audience Polling Results

### *Combating International Sex Trafficking - 4/15/08*

| <b>How severe should the punishment be for someone who is caught purchasing sexual services from a minor?</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> | <b>Percentage of votes cast</b> |
|---|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| The same level of punishment as that for a trafficker/pimp  | 47                | 61 %                            |
| A more severe punishment as that for a trafficker/pimp  | 25                | 32 %                            |
| A less severe punishment as that for a trafficker/pimp  | 4                 | 5 %                             |
| The same punishment as that for a buyer of an adult   | 0                 | 0 %                             |
| No punishment at all  | 0                 | 0 %                             |

| <b>Interested in attending a 5-day executive education program at Harvard University, incl. a cross-section of attendees such as members of the business community, law enforcement, policy makers, NGO's, and researchers? (Tuition 5000, plus room and board)</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> | <b>Percentage of votes cast</b> |
|---|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Can provide full funding  | 0                 | 0 %                             |
| Can provide partial funding   | 10                | 16 %                            |
| Only if full funding were available   | 42                | 71 %                            |
| Not interested  | 7                 | 11 %                            |

| <b>How many people are watching this presentation from your computer terminal</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> | <b>Percentage of votes cast</b> |
|---|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 (just me)   | 86                | 86 %                            |
| 2-3   | 13                | 13 %                            |
| 4-5   | 0                 | 0 %                             |
| 6-7   | 0                 | 0 %                             |
| 8-9   | 1                 | 1 %                             |
| 10 or more  | 0                 | 0 %                             |

| <b>What best describes your profession (as it relates to human trafficking)?</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> | <b>Percentage of votes cast</b> |
|--|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Criminal justice   | 11                | 10 %                            |
| Law enforcement  | 8                 | 7 %                             |
| Health & human services  | 7                 | 6 %                             |
| Academic   | 19                | 18 %                            |
| Policy   | 9                 | 8 %                             |
| Non-governmental organization  | 40                | 38 %                            |
| Other  | 10                | 9 %                             |

| <b>Have you ever worked on a human trafficking case?</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> | <b>Percentage of votes cast</b> |
|--|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Victim services  | 14                | 18 %                            |
| Law enforcement/prosecutorial                            | 4                 | 5 %                             |
| Both   | 9                 | 12 %                            |
| No I haven't   | 47                | 63 %                            |

| <b>In countries where the minimum age for employment in the legal commercial sex industry is 18, should the minimum age be raised to 21?</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> | <b>Percentage of votes cast</b> |
|--|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| a) No, it is the responsibility of the business owner to ensure that the women employed are 18 or older.                                     | 4                 | 6 %                             |
| b) Yes, it would make it much easier to tell if a girl is underage.  | 3                 | 5 %                             |
| c) Yes, I do not think an 18 year old is mature enough to make the decision of engaging in commercial sex                                    | 6                 | 10 %                            |
| d) No, an 18 year old is a legal adult.  | 7                 | 12 %                            |
| e) Both a and d  | 4                 | 6 %                             |
| f) Both b and c  | 34                | 58 %                            |

| <b>Which of the below do you feel should be the highest priority in addressing human trafficking?</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> | <b>Percentage of votes cast</b> |
|---|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Improvement on data and more research   | 5                 | 8 %                             |
| Increasing resources for enforcement and prosecution  | 16                | 28 %                            |
| Greater focus on services for victims   | 24                | 42 %                            |
| Improving international cooperation between origin and destination countries                          | 4                 | 7 %                             |
| Greater focus on the traffickers themselves   | 7                 | 12 %                            |