

Asylum and Immigration (Treatment of Claimants, etc.) Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 19

Offences

4 Trafficking people for exploitation

(a)

[^{F3}(1A) A person ("A") commits an offence if A intentionally arranges or facilitates—

- (a) the arrival in, or entry into, the United Kingdom or another country of another person ("B"),
- (b) the travel of B within the United Kingdom or another country, or
- (c) the departure of B from the United Kingdom or another country,

with a view to the exploitation of B.]

- [^{F3}(1B) For the purposes of subsection (1A)(a) and (c) A's arranging or facilitating is with a view to the exploitation of B if (and only if)—
 - (a) A intends to exploit B, after B's arrival, entry or (as the case may be) departure but in any part of the world, or
 - (b) A believes that another person is likely to exploit B, after B's arrival, entry or (as the case may be) departure but in any part of the world.]
- [^{F3}(1C) For the purposes of subsection (1A)(b) A's arranging or facilitating is with a view to the exploitation of B if (and only if)—
 - (a) A intends to exploit B, during or after the journey and in any part of the world, or
 - (b) A believes that another person is likely to exploit B, during or after the journey and in any part of the world.]

 $[^{F8}(3A)$ A person to whom section 5(2) applies commits an offence if—

- in relation to an individual (the "passenger"), he arranges or facilitates-
 - (i) the arrival in or the entry into a country other than the United Kingdom of the passenger,

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- (ii) travel by the passenger within a country other than the United Kingdom,
- (iii) the departure of the passenger from a country other than the United Kingdom, and
- (b) he—
 - (i) intends to exploit the passenger, or
 - (ii) believes that another person is likely to exploit the passenger,

(wherever the exploitation is to occur).]

 $[^{F9}(3A)$ A person to whom section 5(2) applies commits an offence if—

- in relation to an individual (the "passenger"), he arranges or facilitates-(a)
 - (i) the arrival in or the entry into a country other than the United Kingdom of the passenger,
 - (ii) travel by the passenger within a country other than the United Kingdom,
 - (iii) the departure of the passenger from a country other than the United Kingdom, and
- (b) he—
 - (i) intends to exploit the passenger, or
 - (ii) believes that another person is likely to exploit the passenger,
 - (wherever the exploitation is to occur).]
- (4) For the purposes of this section a person is exploited if (and only if)
 - he is the victim of behaviour that contravenes Article 4 of the Human Rights (a) Convention (slavery and forced labour),
 - he is encouraged, required or expected to do anything (b)
 - $[^{F10}(i)]$ as a result of which he or another person would commit an offence $_{F11}$... $[^{F12}$ under section 32 or 33 of the Human Tissue Act 2004 $][^{F13}$ as it has effect in the law of England and Wales $[^{F14}$ or],

 - (ii) which, were it done in England and Wales, would constitute an offence within sub-paragraph (i),]
 - [^{F15}(b) he is encouraged, required or expected to do anything-
 - (i) as a result of which he or another person would commit an offence under section 32 or 33 of the Human Tissue Act 2004 as it extends to Northern Ireland: or
 - (ii) which, were it done in Northern Ireland, would constitute an offence within sub-paragraph (i),]
 - [^{F19}(ba) he is encouraged, required or expected to do anything in connection with the removal of any part of a human body-
 - (i) as a result of which he or another person would commit an offence under the law of Scotland (other than an offence mentioned in paragraph (b)(i)), or
 - (ii) which, were it done in Scotland, would constitute such an offence,]
 - (c) he is subjected to force, threats or deception designed to induce him—
 - (i) to provide services of any kind,
 - (ii) to provide another person with benefits of any kind, or
 - (iii) to enable another person to acquire benefits of any kind, or

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- F²⁰[^{F21}(d) a person uses or attempts to use him for any purpose within sub-paragraph (i), (ii) or (iii) of paragraph (c), having chosen him for that purpose on the grounds that—
 - (i) he is mentally or physically ill or disabled, he is young or he has a family relationship with a person, and
 - (ii) a person without the illness, disability, youth or family relationship would be likely to refuse to be used for that purpose.]

[^{F22}(4A) A person who is a UK national commits an offence under this section regardless of—

- (a) where the arranging or facilitating takes place, or
- (b) which country is the country of arrival, entry, travel or (as the case may be) departure.
- (4B) A person who is not a UK national commits an offence under this section if—
 - (a) any part of the arranging or facilitating takes place in the United Kingdom, or
 - (b) the United Kingdom is the country of arrival, entry, travel or (as the case may be) departure.]
- [^{F23}(4A) Subsections (1) to (3A) apply to anything done whether inside or outside the United Kingdom]
- [^{F23}(4B) Subsection (3A) applies to—
 - (a) a British citizen,
 - (b) a person who is a British subject by virtue of Part 4 of the British Nationality Act 1981 and who has the right of abode in the United Kingdom,
 - (c) a person who is a British overseas territories citizen by virtue of a connection with Gibraltar,
 - (d) a person who at the time of the offence was habitually resident in Northern Ireland, and
 - (e) a body incorporated under the law of a part of the United Kingdom.]
 - (5) A person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable—
 - (a) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 14 years, to a fine or to both, or
 - (b) [^{F24}on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months, to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum or to both.]]]

Textual Amendments

- F1 S. 4 repealed (N.I.) (14.1.2015) by Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Criminal Justice and Support for Victims) Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 2), s. 28(2), Sch. 5
- F2 S. 4 omitted (E.W.) (31.7.2015) by virtue of Modern Slavery Act 2015 (c. 30), s. 61(1), Sch. 5 para. 6(2); S.I. 2015/1476, reg. 2(j) (with regs. 3, 6-8)
- F3 S. 4(1A)-(1C) substituted for s. 4(1)-(3) (E.W.) (6.4.2013) by Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (c. 9), ss. 110(2), 120 (with s. 97); S.I. 2013/470, art. 2(b) (with arts. 3(a)4-8)
- F4 Words in s. 4(1) inserted (S.) (28.3.2011) by Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 13), ss. 46(2)(a), 206(1); S.S.I. 2011/178, art. 2, sch.
- F5 Words in s. 4(1) inserted (E.W. N.I.) (31.1.2008) by UK Borders Act 2007 (c. 30), ss. 31(1), 59(2); S.I. 2008/99, art. 2(1)
- **F6** Words in s. 4(2) repealed (S.) (28.3.2011) by Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 13), ss. 46(2)(b), 206(1); S.S.I. 2011/178, art. 2, sch.

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- **F7** Words in s. 4(2) repealed (N.I.) (26.4.2013) by Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2013 (c. 7), ss. 7(2), 15(1), Sch. 4 Pt. 2
- F8 S. 4(3A) inserted (S.) (28.3.2011) by Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 13), ss. 46(2)(c), 206(1); S.S.I. 2011/178, art. 2, sch.
- **F9** S. 4(3A) inserted (N.I.) (26.4.2013) by Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2013 (c. 7), ss. 7(3), 15(1)
- **F10** Words in s. 4(4)(b)(i) in s. 4(4)(b) renumbered as s. 4(4)(b)(i) (E.W.) (6.4.2013) by Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (c. 9), ss. 110(3)(b), 120 (with s. 97); S.I. 2013/470, art. 2(b) (with arts. 3(a)4-8)
- F11 Words in s. 4(4)(b) repealed (E.W.) (6.4.2013) by Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (c. 9), ss. 110(3)(a) (i), 120, Sch. 10 Pt. 9 (with s. 97); S.I. 2013/470, art. 2(b) (with arts. 3(a)4-8)
- F12 Words in s. 4 substituted (20.10.2005) by Human Tissue Act 2004 (c. 30), s. 60(2), Sch. 6 para. 7 (with s. 58); S.I. 2005/2792, art. 2(2)(i) (with art. 3(1)(a))
- F13 Words in s. 4(4)(b) inserted (E.W.) (6.4.2013) by Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (c. 9), ss. 110(3)(a) (ii), 120 (with s. 97); S.I. 2013/470, art. 2(b) (with arts. 3(a)4-8)
- F14 S. 4(4)(b)(ii) and word inserted (E.W.) (6.4.2013) by Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (c. 9), ss. 110(3)(c), 120 (with s. 97); S.I. 2013/470, art. 2(b) (with arts. 3(a)4-8)
- F15 S. 4(4)(b) substituted (N.I.) (26.4.2013) by Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2013 (c. 7), ss. 7(4), 15(1)
- **F16** Words in s. 4(4)(b) renumbered as s. 4(4)(b)(i) (S.) (28.3.2011) by Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 13) , **ss. 46(2)(d)(i)** , 206(1) ; S.S.I. 2011/178 , art. 2 , sch.
- F17 Words in s. 4(4)(b) substituted (S.) (24.6.2008) by Human Tissue (Scotland) Act 2006 (Consequential Amendment) Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/259), arts. 1(1), 2
- **F18** S. 4(4)(b)(ii) and word inserted (S.) (28.3.2011) by Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 13), ss. 46(2)(d)(ii), 206(1); S.S.I. 2011/178, art. 2, sch.
- F19 S. 4(4)(ba) inserted (S.) (28.3.2011) by Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 13), ss. 46(2)(d)(iii), 206(1); S.S.I. 2011/178, art. 2, sch.
- F20 S. 4(4)(d) substituted (S.) (28.3.2011) by Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 13) , ss. 46(2)(d)(iv) , 206(1) ; S.S.I. 2011/178 , art. 2 , sch.
- **F21** S. 4(4)(d) substituted (10.11.2009) by Borders, Citizenship and Immigration Act 2009 (c. 11), ss. 54, 58(4)(b); S.I. 2009/2731, art. 3(b)
- F22 S. 4(4A)(4B) inserted (E.W.) (6.4.2013) by Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (c. 9), ss. 110(4), 120 (with s. 97); S.I. 2013/470, art. 2(b) (with arts. 3(a)4-8)
- F23 S. 4(4A)(4B) inserted (N.I.) (26.4.2013) by Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2013 (c. 7), ss. 7(5), 15(1)
- F24 S. 4(5)(b) repealed (N.I.) (26.4.2013) by Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2013 (c. 7), ss. 8(4), 15(1), Sch. 4 Pt. 2 (with s. 8(5))

Commencement Information

- II S. 4 in force at 1.12.2004 for S. by S.S.I. 2004/494, unnumbered provision
- I2 S. 4 in force at 1.12.2004 for E.W.N.I. by S.I. 2004/2999, art. 2, Sch.

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