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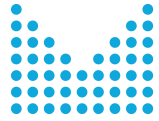
# National Rapporteur on Human Trafficking in the Czech Republic

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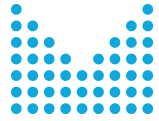
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# Establishment

- Established in 2003 on the basis of the first policy paper on THB:  
National Strategy for the Fight against THB for the Purpose of Sexual Exploitation in the Czech Republic.
- Governmental Resolution No. 849 adopted on 3 September 2003.
- This incorporated the implementation of international conventions and recommendations.



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# Ministry of the Interior

Government delegated the function of National Rapporteur to the Ministry of Interior

- Minister of the Interior assigned this to the Analyses and Strategies Unit within the Security Policy Department
- The Director of SPD is simultaneously also Secretary of the Inter-ministerial Coordination Group for Combating THB

# Why Ministry of the Interior?

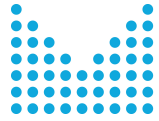
- **INDEPENDENCY** – recommendations from the National Strategy stated that the National Rapporteur should be an independent body aside from the executive bodies

## DISADVANTAGES

- no access to some kind of information
- rather “academic” view of the situation
- not able to react properly and immediately
- no direct instruments to deal with situation
- rather weak influence on other ministries

# Why Security Policy Department?

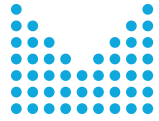
- gathering and analyzing information on internal security risks and threats;
- monitoring the developments and trends in crime and related areas;
- producing government documents dealing with the issues of criminogenous factors, drawing up of the state security policy;
- creating systemic, legislative and organizational conditions for abatement of criminality; and
- submits to the Government and to the Parliament number of reports, e.g. on security situation, crime development, corruption, terrorism, organized crime etc.



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# Security Policy Dpt. Main Tasks in THB

- submission of reports and policy papers;
- coordination of anti-trafficking policy; and
- information gathering, analysis and continuous monitoring of trafficking in human beings.



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# THB Policy Papers

## National Strategy of the Fight against THB for the Purpose of Sexual Exploitation in the Czech Republic (for the period of 2003 – 2005)

Governmental Resolution No. 849 of 3 September 2003

- evaluation and update every 2 years
- strong foundations laid to tackle the complex area of THB

## National Strategy of the Fight against THB (for the period of 2005 – 2007)

Governmental Resolution No. 957 of 20 July 2005

- sum of all available information about the situation
  - provides a summary of the measures taken in the past two years
  - specifies measures aimed at combating human trafficking
- extends the circles of the measures to new spheres (forced labour)

# National Strategy of the Fight against THB

(for the period of 2008 – 2011)

- Governmental Resolution No. 67 of 23 January 2008

## Fundamental tasks from National Strategy:

- coordination of activities
  - collection of data on trafficking in human being
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- » formalization of Inter-ministerial Task Force
  - » preparation and submission of annual reports

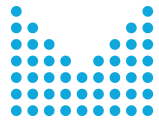


# System of Coordination

- Inter-Ministerial Task Force established in 2004;
- meetings twice a year or on an ad hoc basis as and when needed;
- checked and evaluated the action plan;
- provided information, identified problems and critical gaps, initiated solutions.

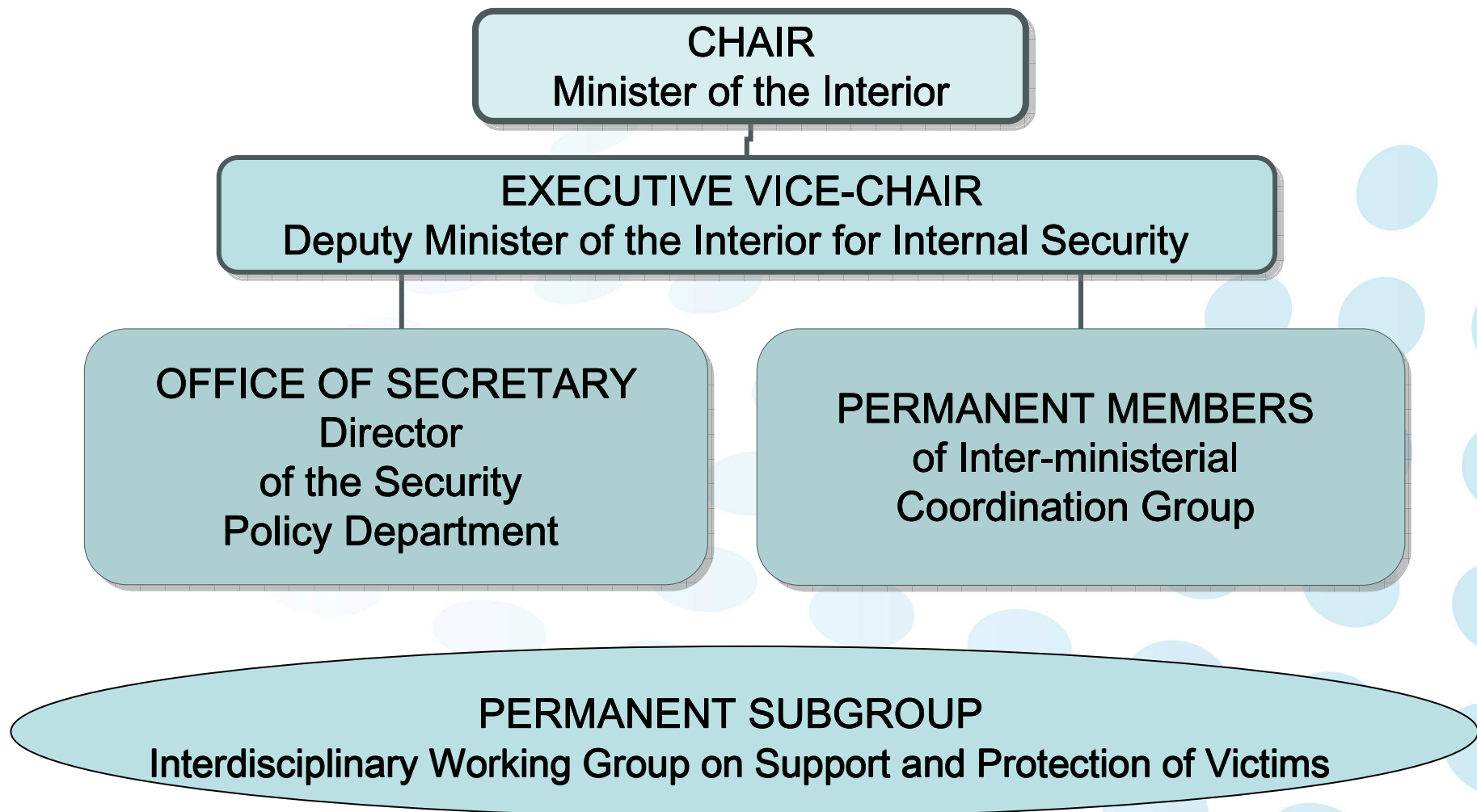
Inter-Ministerial Coordination Group established by  
Government Resolution No. 1006/2008

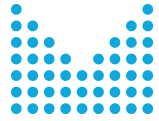
- more efficient,
- annual reports,
- permanent members officially NGOs and IOM Prague.



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# Inter-ministerial Coordination Group





# Information gathering

## Official Sources:

- criminal and judicial statistics and reports;
- reports about controls carried by alien police and labour inspectors and offices;
- information about victims in Victim Assistance Program.

## Description of latent situation:

- NGOs and IOM statistics and reports;
- operational police information;
- intelligence services sources;
- international information exchange;
- open sources;
- ad hoc researches; and
- Czech embassies.

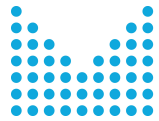
# First Annual Report

## Covered:

- investigation and prosecution
- prevention,
- included the NGOs activities
- identification of tasks for 2009
  - focused on the data collection
  - detailed criminal justice statistics
- detailed statistics on victims assisted with financial support of Mol

## Challenges:

- victims identified by NGOs
- data on cases and Czech victims abroad
- terminology



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# Challenges of the Second Annual Report (2009)

- what kind of information;
- data collection;
- how to report cases – stereotypes;
- audience; and
- interest, concern, publicity.

All documents are available at the web sites of Ministry of the  
Interior

[www.mvcr.cz](http://www.mvcr.cz)

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