人身取引について

Warning on Human Trafficking

「人身取引」とは、ぜい弱な立場にある方を利用したり、暴力や脅迫、金銭の授受などによって、強制的に労働させたり、売春などの性的行為を強要したりすることなどを目的として、人を引き渡したり、輸送したりする行為です。

Human trafficking refers to the capture, transportation, and transfer of human beings through means of violence, threats, financial transactions, or taking advantage of their vulnerabilities for the purpose of exploiting them through forced labor or prostitution.

具体的には次の様な被害の実例があります。

The following are summarized reports about actual victims.

* ＳＮＳで連絡を取り合ううちに恋愛感情が生まれ、相手からは将来の結婚を匂わせるような話が出るも、次第に金銭を要求され、見知らぬ人と売春を強要させられる。
* The victim got to know the perpetrator through social media. In the course of ongoing communication, she gradually developed romantic feelings for the person, who began to suggest the possibility of marrying her in the future. Then, the person started asking her for money, forcing her to prostitute herself.
* ＳＮＳで頼れる人を見つけて思い切って会いに行くと、優しい言葉をかけられたが、相手の家に行った途端に態度が急変し、脅された上で、生活費を稼ぐためとの理由で売春を強要される。
* The victim got to know the perpetrator through social media. She thought he was the right person for her, and asked him to meet her in person. On the day of the meeting, he was nice and kind at first, but his attitude abruptly changed when they arrived at his home. He threatened her violently and forced her to prostitute herself as a means of paying for living expenses.
* 外国人女性が日本の店でダンサーとしてスカウトされ入国したところ、パスポートや携帯電話を取り上げられ、狭いアパートに住まわされた上で、ホステスとしての接待を強要される。
* A group of foreign national women were recruited to be dancers in Japanese establishments. Upon arriving in Japan, they were forced against their will to hand over their passports and mobile phones, live in a small apartment, and work as bar hostesses.
* ＳＮＳを通じて仕事の募集を受けて待ち合わせ場所に行ってみると、車で別の場所に連れられ、帰る場所もなく言うことを聞くしかなく、性的サービスを提供する仕事を休みなく強要される。
* The victim received a job offer through social media, and went to the place specified by the employer. She was transported by car to another location where she was forced to provide sexual services for long hours without a break. She had no home and no other choice.
* 借金を返済するために、ホテルで住まわされた上で、売春をして返済するように脅される。
* The victim was forced to live in a hotel, and threatened into prostituting herself to repay her debt.

世界では４，０３０万人もの方が人身取引の被害にあっていると言われていますが、特に、近年、犯罪組織が関与して、主にアジア、東欧、ロシア、中南米等の地域から訪日する女性の中から人身取引の被害者となった事例が多く見られることもあり、日本政府は、外国人女性等の人権擁護という人道的観点から人身取引対策を強化しています。

Statistics show a total of 40.3 million victims of human trafficking around the world. In recent years, a growing number of cases have been reported involving female visitors to Japan, mainly from Asia, Eastern Europe, Russia, and Latin America, falling victim to human trafficking committed by organized crime groups. Recognizing this situation, the Japanese government is implementing stronger measures to combat this crime from a humanitarian point of view, particularly to protect the human rights of female foreign nationals.