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[9th Day of October, 2019]

Commence-
ment

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 76 of the Trafficking in Persons (Prohibition) Enforcement and Administration Act, 2015 and all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, Abubakar Malami, SAN, Honourable Attorney - General of the Federation and Minister of Justice, make the following Regulations—

1. The Chairman, Director-General or any authorized staff (hereinafter referred to as 'the Approved Authority') shall for the purposes of enforcing and administering the provisions of the Act as well as adopting effective measures to prevent and eradicate trafficking in persons, exercise the functions as outlined in these Regulations.

Application.

2. It shall be lawful for the Approved Authority to issue a clearance certificate to all travel agents or tour operators and intending travelers for the purpose of—

Power to
issue
Clearance
Certificate.

- (a) educational excursions ;
- (b) recruitment for labour ;
- (c) sporting activities ;
- (d) cultural, music excursions or competitions ;
- (e) all organisations, shelters and homes offering services for the purpose of rehabilitation of trafficked persons.

3. The Approved Authority of the Agency shall charge an administrative fee to cover the cost of verification as outlined under regulation 2 of these Regulations.

Power to
Charge
administrative
fees for
clearance
certificate.

4. The Approved Authority of the Agency shall have the powers to refuse to issue clearance certificate to anyone whom he reasonably suspects of having been or likely to be involved in the commission of the offence of human trafficking.

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circumstances.

- Age Requirement for recruitment for Labour.** 5. The Approved Authority of the Agency shall ensure that an intending traveller in the category stated in regulation 2 (b) of these Regulations—
- (a) is not be less than 18 years of age ; and
 - (b) possesses the requisite skills for the job in which the applicant seeks clearance.
- Administrative Sanctions.** 6. Any individual or entity who fails to comply with the provisions of these Regulations shall be liable to a fine of—
- (a) ₦250,000.00, in the case of an individual ; or
 - (b) ₦2,000,000.00, in addition to any other penalty prescribed in any extant law, in the case of an entity.
- Interpretation.** 7. In these Regulations—
- “Act” means Trafficking in Persons (Prohibition) Enforcement and Administrative Act, 2015 ;
 - “Agency” means the National Agency for the Prohibition of Trafficking in Persons ;
 - “Approved Authority” means the Chairman, Director- General and any staff of the Agency so authorized to act ;
 - “Entity” includes company, partnership, cooperative, union, association, agency or any other organisation ;
 - “Organisations” shall include Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs).
- Short Title.** 8. These regulations may be cited as Trafficking in Persons (Control of Activities of Organisations and Centres) Regulations, 2019.

MADE at Abuja this 9th day of October, 2019.

ABUBAKAR MALAMI, SAN
*Honourable Attorney-General of the Federation
and Minister of Justice*