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## UNDOCUMENTED VICTIMS’ RIGHTS AND WEBINAR ON 7 JULY

The EU Victims’ Rights Directive guarantees help to victims independent of their residence status. The EU recently adopted a new Victims Rights Strategy, which explicitly describes the undocumented victims’ vulnerable position. *‘Under the Victims’ Rights Directive, victims’ rights shall apply to victims in a non-discriminatory manner, independently of their residence status. Under this strategy, the Commission will assess legal and practical tools at EU level to improve reporting of crime and access to support services for migrant victims, independently of their residence status. In particular, the Commission will promote exchange of good practices among the Member States aimed at disconnecting reporting of crime from the return procedure without jeopardising the effectiveness of such procedures.’*

See the report [here](#). A webinar on this report will take place on 7 July (15.30-17.00h), [register here](#).

The Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants (PICUM) described the right to a residence permit for undocumented victims of domestic abuse and human trafficking in this [report](#).

## 1. BASIC RIGHTS

### SSS&J Guide to the handling of labour exploitation and serious prejudice outside the scope of human trafficking

To better tackle serious prejudice in the work environment, the cooperation of the Inspectorate SZW, the police and the municipalities must be improved. In cooperation with the Crime Prevention and Safety Centre (*Centrum voor Criminaliteitspreventie en Veiligheid, CCV*) work is progressing on a guide with perspectives for actions suited to a coordinated integral handling of labour exploitation and serious prejudice. This will assist in effectively tackling situations that cannot be considered human trafficking under criminal law but are serious all the same with various enforcement instruments. See [here](#).

## 2. ADMISSIONS POLICY

### SSS&J: new policy Guinea for women and children

Based on the new official country report on Guinea the state secretary has found that in Guinea minors do not get protection against domestic violence, and that women do not have an alternative option for residence because of violence, as they cannot permanent residence outside their area of origin. That a shelter home for minors has been found is new. As a result, minors who do not get residency can be repatriated, even if their parents cannot be found. See [here](#).

### Court: No residency for care of ill Dutch partner

The lawyer in this matter argued that the partner of this Dutch man had to be in the Netherlands to be able to care for him. He therefore found that the woman should get residency, since the parents of a Dutch child also get residency to look after it. The court decided that it had been proven insufficiently that the man depended on his wife to be able to remain in the Netherlands. The court pointed out that there are other options for care. See [here](#).

### Aliens Act Implementation Guidelines (Amendment) Decree 2020/13: child with child protection order can receive residency after 1.5 years

If a child protection order has been pronounced for a child, and it cannot be transferred to the country of origin, after 1.5 years the child can receive residency. See [here](#).

## 3. WHAT'S ON?

### End of client stop STIL-Utrecht

You can once more report to STIL for legal advice, preferably by email ([juridisch@stil-utrecht.nl](mailto:juridisch@stil-utrecht.nl)) or by telephone (030 271 34 63).

### Webinars: Migrant women in Europe resisting increased abuse and precariousness (ENG/ESP), 8 / 15 July

Each webinar will share common experiences of migrant women and girls -refugees, domestic workers,

those part of family reunification, undocumented, etc.- coping under COVID-19 measures in Europe. It will highlight how migrant women have worked together to provide essential support, safe spaces, and collective action through campaigning and advocacy. It will outline experiences in different countries, including providing political recommendations, such as for the EU recovery fund.

For the webinar on 8 July 16-17:30h click [here](#); for the webinar on 15 July 14-15:30h click [here](#).

Event: Messaging 'Modern Slavery': an expert panel and discussion, 21 July 14h London time

Communication is power: the language used about any issue profoundly affects our understanding of its causes and solutions. How is that power used when it comes to modern slavery? How does media reporting affect public and policy maker understanding of exploitation? What's working well and what needs to be done differently or better? And how can organisational communications support this more effectively? We'll explore these questions and more.

[Please register on Eventbrite here](#). You will receive the Zoom link and password prior to the event itself.

Since 2003, the LOS Foundation (National Undocumented Migrants Support Centre Foundation) has been the knowledge centre for people and organisations providing assistance to migrants without residence permits ('undocumented migrants'). The LOS Foundation is committed to the basic rights of these migrants and their children.