



A NEW CHAPTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

**A handbook on issues of transition
from the Commission on Human Rights
to the Human Rights Council**



Annex 3.1

Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially in women and children

Current mandate holder: Sigma Huda
Mandate started: 2004

Term of mandate holder: 2004-2007
Mandate up for renewal: 2007

Areas of focus

- Study the phenomenon of trafficking, particularly focusing on women and children without losing sight of the larger context;
- Study the links between irregular migration and trafficking as well as between trafficking and smuggling;
- Promote the *Principles and Guidelines on Human Rights and Human Trafficking*¹;
- Receive [individual communications](#) relating to trafficking;
- The international legal framework includes the *United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime*.

Country visits

Bosnia and Herzegovina (2005)
Lebanon (2005)

Outstanding visit requests

Kuwait (2005)
Nigeria (2005)
Qatar (2005)
Saudi Arabia (2005)

Outstanding visit requests

Senegal (2005)
Thailand (2005)
United Arab Emirates (2005)

Agreed to in principle

Bahrain
Japan (2006)
Oman (2006)

Pending reports: Annual report, Communications to and from Governments, Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina, Mission to Lebanon (E/CN.4/2006/62, Add. 1-3).

Thematic research

- Demand for commercial sexual exploitation and trafficking 2006.

Communications (2005)

- 29 joint communications to 23 Governments;
- Ten responses to the joint communications.

¹ [E/2002/68, Add.1](#)

