

Dear Friend,



The Soccer World Cup is about to happen in South Africa. The country is beautiful with people who are hospitable and welcoming. The nation is prepared to host and welcome the world to its lovely land of many faces and cultures, rich in diversity.

2010 should be about the Game.

We are concerned that not all the people will enjoy the event.

During occasions like this, many people are hired to provide services in the hospitality industry such as restaurants, bars, hotels, transportation of guests and goods. Therefore, the Soccer World Cup creates high expectations of employment opportunities. Unfortunately, attractive offers can sometimes prove false. People can be deceived and exploited.

Take Lisa. She was promised a job as a waitress in a restaurant but was forced to work without pay as a domestic servant and was not allowed to leave the premises.

Or Helena. She attended a party after a football match. Her drink was tampered with; she woke up in an unknown place and was used as a sex worker.

Peter was promised a job as a chef but ended up as a labourer on a farm with no pay and under miserable living conditions.

Therefore, we urge you to be careful if you receive job offers that are too good to be true. You may end up lured and deceived into cheap labour (in sweatshops, as domestic workers, in restaurants), sexual exploitation and drug dealing which are some of the many faces of trafficking in persons.



On the basis of the above information, we encourage you to take note of the following:

- ∞ Stay with your group and look out for one another.
- ∞ Let your parents or someone know where and with whom you are going and possible contact details.
- ∞ If you find yourself in any difficulty, speak only to recognised officials.
- ∞ Check out job offers before you accept.
- ∞ Do not leave your drinks or any food open and unattended.
- ∞ Memorise the toll free helpline number in South Africa

0800-555-999

Enjoy the game, enjoy the place, enjoy the people, but stay free and come back home safely!

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For further information contact any one of the following:



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