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**PROHIBITION OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS ACT 2017**

**AN ACT** to prohibit all forms of trafficking in persons in the Republic of the Marshall Islands and to ensure protection for women, children, men from the revictimization of trafficking in persons.

*Commencement:*

*April 11, 2017*

*Source:*

*P.L. 2017-38*

**PART I - PRELIMINARY**

**§1001. Short title.**

This Act may be cited as the Prohibition of Trafficking in Persons Act 2017.

**§1002. Purpose and General Principles.**

- (1) The purposes of this Law are:
  - (a) To prevent and combat trafficking in persons in the Republic of the Marshall Islands;
  - (b) To protect and assist the victims of such trafficking, while maintaining full respect and protecting their human rights;
  - (c) To ensure just and effective investigation, prosecution and punishment of traffickers; and
  - (d) To promote and facilitate national and international cooperation in order to meet these objectives.