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# Statement by Secretary Jeh C. Johnson on DHS Role in Human Trafficking Investigation Operation Safe Haven

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I congratulate all the law enforcement personnel who participated in Operation Safe Haven. Today, more than a year of hard work has paid off, and those responsible for perpetrating modern day slavery in the United States are being brought to justice.

I commend U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Homeland Security Investigations, which led this major operation. I also thank U.S. Customs and Border Protection and all of the other Federal and local agencies who helped bring the perpetrators to justice. Operation Safe Haven is the first major investigation supported by the Joint Task Force for Investigations (JTF-I) since it became fully operational in July 2015. JTF-I's sole purpose is to utilize the broad resources of DHS in a combined and coordinated way, in furtherance of border security and law enforcement. Missions like Operation Safe Haven highlight the importance of a unified DHS effort, and show all that we can accomplish by working together.

I am proud to lead a Department committed to combating the scourge of human trafficking.

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