



CR Art. 23

Slavery, Trafficking, and Forced Labour

TITLE 04 — OFFENCES AGAINST PERSONS AND DIGNITY · CHAPTER 01 — OFFENCES AGAINST LIFE LIBERTY AND DIGNITY

- 1 In implementation of the prohibition set forth in [Article 34](#) of the Fundamental Laws, this Article criminalises slavery, servitude, forced labour, human trafficking, and economic exploitation.
- 2 Any national who engages in, organises, facilitates, finances, or knowingly profits from any of the following acts commits an offence:
 - a. Holding a person in slavery or servitude.
 - b. Subjecting a person to forced or compulsory labour.
 - c. Trafficking in persons, namely recruiting, transporting, harbouring, or receiving a person by means of threat, force, coercion, deception, or abuse of power for the purpose of exploitation.
 - d. Economic exploitation of another person.
- 3 An offence under this Article is classified as a **grave** offence.
- 4 A person convicted of an offence under this Article is liable to the following sanctions, in accordance with [Article 10](#):
 - a. A fine not exceeding \$500,000.
 - b. Public censure.
 - c. Forfeiture of all proceeds derived from or connected with the offence.
 - d. Permanent exclusion from all State services.
 - e. Revocation of honours.
- 5 There is no limitation period for offences under this Article, in accordance with [Article 14](#).



- 6 A conviction under this Article constitutes a conviction for "exploitation" within the meaning of [Article 13\(4\)\(d\)](#) of the Civil Code and bars the convicted person from appointment as guardian.

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