

## PRESS STATEMENT

### SANTAC launches new website

**Maputo (19 November 2008)** - Today is the World Day for Prevention of Child Abuse. In our days is a terrifying global concern which requires preventive measures in all societies. Within this context Southern Africa Network against Trafficking and Abuse of Children - SANTAC chose the 19th November 2008 to officially launch its new website, a resource for its members, organisations, institutions and individuals working or interested to face and to eliminate human trafficking and child abuse in Southern African region.

The website content, located at [www.santac.org](http://www.santac.org), addresses subjects on Child Abuse in its different forms, especially child exploitation and trafficking for sexual purpose. It starts with an introduction to SANTAC and what the *Media Centre* can offer, a category on *Human Trafficking* - presenting some definitions and warnings on the consequences, the role of Gender on Child Abuse and the relation between trafficking and HIV & AIDS, *Legal Framework* where links to relevant international instruments can be found (in English and Portuguese); information on our *Campaigns*, *SANTAC Members' contacts*, *Conferences* promoted, *Media Centre*, *Boards and Staff contacts*.

Shortly the website will include a category on the Regional Referral System following the recommendations of the 2nd Workshop of the Regional Referral Group for Child Trafficking held in Johannesburg on 24-25 September 2008, promoted by SANTAC in partnership with Child Helpline Southern Africa and Save the Children.



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