

Navy Rear Adm. Robert J. Gilbeau (center), Defense Contract Management Agency International commander, participates at an international combating human trafficking round table held recently in Moscow. (Courtesy photo)

Gilbeau briefs CTIP at global round table

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Navy Rear Adm. Robert J. Gilbeau stressed the Department of Defense's zero tolerance policy for trafficking in persons, the department's efforts to prevent trafficking and the importance of international cooperation during his presentation at an international combating human trafficking round table held recently in Moscow.

During the two-day event, Gilbeau spoke about the agency's initiatives to ensure all deploying military and DOD civilian personnel supporting DCMA's

Contingency Contract Administration Services mission receive combating trafficking in persons, or CTIP, training prior to and during their deployment.

"CTIP training is critical," he said. "Our military and civilian personnel stationed around the globe need to remain vigilant in their CTIP efforts."

Gilbeau noted the importance of the round table in improving international cooperation to combat human trafficking, which involves men, women and children being exploited through labor trafficking, sex trafficking and child soldiering.

"International cooperation is essential in combating trafficking in persons because it crosses political, geographic, social, cultural and economic boundaries," Gilbeau said. "The round table provided the opportunity to develop and foster that cooperation."

The event, jointly organized by the secretariat of the Collective Security Treaty Organization and the International Organization for Migration, or IOM, Moscow, focused on the "enhancement of cooperation among competent bodies of global and regional "International cooperation is essential in combating trafficking in persons because it crosses political, geographic, social, cultural and economic boundaries."

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The round table was carried out by IOM Moscow as an activity of the "Preventing

and Counter-Acting Trafficking in Human Beings in the Russian Federation" project, funded by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs.

Also participating in the round table were representatives from the Collective Security Treaty Organization member states and international global and regional organizations such as the United Nations, Commonwealth of Independent States, Eurasian Economic Community and Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe.

