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NEWS REPORT

Headline	Aust. launches anti-human trafficking campaign in Thailand
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The Australian Government has chosen Thailand for launching campaigns against human trafficking by publishing a set of two handbooks to be distributed free to Thai women and private organisations in the kingdom which assist children and women victims.

The handbooks cost the Australian government A\$472,000 (US\$325,373.20) to print and were on Tuesday handed over to Wallop Ploytubtim, Thailand's permanent secretary for Social Development and Human Security, by Bronte Moules, deputy head of mission at the Australian Embassy in Bangkok. A total of 15,000 handbooks were printed.

The handbooks are designed to assist Thai women who were lured to Australia to return home and to prevent women in Thailand and other Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) countries from falling prey to human traffickers.

Mr. Wallop said Thai women and children who were victims of human trafficking were mostly found in South Africa, Bahrain, Japan and Malaysia; however, not many were found in Australia.

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