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## THE FRIENDSHIP FOUNDATION (UK – ROMANIA)

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# JANUARY 2011

**WE WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

LA MULȚI ANI!

In 2011 we look forward to continuing our support of our partner-charity, Pro Prietenia Arad, in developing a means of supporting Romanian victims of human trafficking



Puiu & Dorina at the Poppy Project for female victims of trafficking, London, November 2010

*Puiu and Dorina at the Poppy Project for female victims of trafficking in London during their visit at the end of November.*

In the UK, the charity at the forefront of working with female victims of human trafficking is The Poppy Project based in London.

At the end of November last year, Brian of The Friendship Foundation accompanied Puiu and Dorina Tarcea to a meeting at Poppy's London base.

We were extremely well received and are grateful to Poppy for the warmth of their welcome and the very professional way in which they described their work to us. They are doing a great job amongst vulnerable women trafficked from a whole host of countries, and they recognise that we could make a valuable contribution working specifically with Romanians, particular those seeking repatriation and reintegration in Romania.

Our meeting with Poppy is part of the wider networking activity that will enable us to learn about the nature and extent of this horrendous crime and its effect on Romanians in particular. We shall also be contacting other agencies and charities working here in the UK that can help us build up a fuller picture. Meanwhile, we wish Poppy well with its important work.

[www.eaves4women.co.uk/POPPY\\_Project/POPPY\\_Project.php](http://www.eaves4women.co.uk/POPPY_Project/POPPY_Project.php)  
To go to the Poppy website, type the address into your browser window or go back to our home page and click 'links'

**Whilst in London we also visited the Consular Department of the Romanian Embassy. We were well received by the Head of the Consular Department, First Secretary Mrs Oana Gheorghiu and we are grateful for her time and interest.**



*Consular & Visa Section  
M.E.I.C. House  
344 Kensington High Street*

Our meeting was to introduce the work of our charities to Mrs Gheorghiu and to explore areas where we could be helpful to the Embassy, particularly in relation to the repatriation and reintegration of Romanian citizens who are the victims of trafficking. We were assured of the Consul's support.

<http://londra.mae.ro/>  
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In Feb and April 2010 a hard-hitting exhibition called 'not Natasha', documenting the experiences of sex-trafficked women, took place at **impressions** gallery in Bradford. Visit the website at: [www.impressions-gallery.com/exhibitions/exhibition.php?id=30](http://www.impressions-gallery.com/exhibitions/exhibition.php?id=30) or go back to our home page and click 'links'

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