

## **§2H4.1**

- (2) if the conduct was theft or destruction of mail, apply §2B1.1 (Theft, Property Destruction, and Fraud).

### **Commentary**

**Statutory Provision:** 18 U.S.C. § 1702. For additional statutory provision(s), see Appendix A (Statutory Index).

**Background:** The statutory provision covered by this guideline is sometimes used to prosecute offenses more accurately described as theft or destruction of mail. In such cases, §2B1.1 (Theft, Property Destruction, and Fraud) is to be applied.

<i>Historical Note</i>	Effective November 1, 1987. Amended effective November 1, 1990 (amendment 313); November 1, 2001 (amendment 617).
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## **4. PEONAGE, INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE, SLAVE TRADE, AND CHILD SOLDIERS**

<i>Historical Note</i>	Effective November 1, 1987. Amended effective November 1, 2009 (amendment 733).
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### **§2H4.1. Peonage, Involuntary Servitude, Slave Trade, and Child Soldiers**

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**(a) Base Offense Level:**

- (1) **22**; or
- (2) **18**, if (A) the defendant was convicted of an offense under 18 U.S.C. § 1592, or (B) the defendant was convicted of an offense under 18 U.S.C. § 1593A based on an act in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1592.

**(b) Specific Offense Characteristics**

- (1) (A) If any victim sustained permanent or life-threatening bodily injury, increase by **4** levels; or (B) if any victim sustained serious bodily injury, increase by **2** levels.
- (2) If (A) a dangerous weapon was used, increase by **4** levels; or (B) a dangerous weapon was brandished, or the use of a dangerous weapon was threatened, increase by **2** levels.
- (3) If any victim was held in a condition of peonage or involuntary servitude for (A) more than one year, increase by **3** levels; (B) between