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Subject: Invitation to nominate national representatives for the Comitology Committee on the Forced Labour Regulation

Your Excellency,

Regulation (EU) 2024/3015 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2024 on prohibiting products made with forced labour on the Union market, commonly referred to as the Forced Labour Regulation, entered into force on 13 December 2024 and will enter into application on 14 December 2027.

This Regulation prohibits the placing and making available of products made with forced labour on the EU market, as well as their export. It puts in place a framework through which competent authorities of the Member States and the Commission will investigate possible violations of the forced labour ban.

Article 35 of the Forced Labour Regulation provides for the Commission to be assisted by a committee composed of representatives of the Member-States for the adoption of implementing acts, functioning in line with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 (the ‘Comitology Regulation’).

In this context, the Commission invites your authorities to nominate one representative and one substitute to participate in the committee's meetings. These individuals should possess the requisite expertise and authority to effectively represent your Member State in discussions concerning the implementation of the Forced Labour Regulation.

In light of this, please submit the names, titles, and contact details (including email address and telephone number) of your nominees by **03 December 2025** at the latest. Nominations

should be sent electronically to GROW-FORCED-LABOUR@ec.europa.eu, with “Nomination – Forced Labour Regulation Comitology Committee” in the subject line.

The first meeting concerning the adoption of the implementing act foreseen in Article 7(7)(a) of the Forced Labour Regulation is expected to take place in January 2026 and further details will follow in due time.

We draw your attention to the recent creation of the Union Network Against Forced Labour Products for which you also nominated a representative. The purpose of the Network is to serve as a platform for structured coordination and cooperation between the competent authorities of the Member States and the Commission, and for streamlining the enforcement of the Forced Labour Regulation, whereas the purpose of the Comitology Committee is to discuss and adopt implementing acts. It is certainly possible to nominate the same representative for both entities.

Yours sincerely,

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