Mizuho Bank, Ltd. London Branch
Anti-Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement

This statement is made in accordance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (the “Act”) in respect of the financial year ended 31 March 2019.

Effective 29 October 2015, section 54 of the Act requires any company with a turnover of more than £36 million that supplies goods and services and carries on a business, or any part of a business, in any part of the UK to publish an annual slavery and human trafficking statement.

The London Branch of Mizuho Bank, Ltd. (Foreign Company Number FC004234) ("Mizuho UK") is required to comply with the Act.

Mizuho UK offers a comprehensive range of loan, treasury and cash management products and solutions, and aims to be a leading-edge arranger, underwriter and provider of loans to corporate customers. Mizuho UK is a branch of Mizuho Bank, Ltd. which is incorporated in Japan and is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Agency of Japan. In the UK, Mizuho UK is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority, subject to regulation by the Financial Conduct Authority and limited regulation by the Prudential Regulation Authority.

Mizuho UK takes a zero-tolerance approach to any form of slavery or human trafficking (together “Modern Slavery”) and is committed to acting transparently, ethically and with integrity in all its business dealings and commercial relationships, implementing and enforcing effective systems and controls to seek to ensure Modern Slavery does not take place anywhere in its own business or in its supply chain. Mizuho UK is committed in its approach to tackling Modern Slavery should it occur in its own business or in its supply chain.

Mizuho Bank, Ltd. is a member of Mizuho Financial Group ("Mizuho"). Mizuho is committed to social and environmental responsibility and was the first Asian bank to adopt Equator Principles in 2003. Mizuho is a signatory to "The United Nations Global Compact", "The United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)" and "The Principles for Financial Action towards a Sustainable Society". Mizuho has a Human Rights Policy in line with the "Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights" issued by the United Nations. Mizuho also makes reference to and promotes various initiatives related to other international codes of conduct, including ISO 26000. Further information can be found on Mizuho's website at: https://www.mizuhofg.com/csr/index.html

During the financial year which ended on 31 March 2019, Mizuho UK’s approach has included:

- distributing questionnaires to selected suppliers to gather information regarding the risk of Modern Slavery occurring in its supply chain;
- assessing the supplier responses to Mizuho UK’s questionnaires (as referenced above);
- incorporating Mizuho UK’s Modern Slavery clause as appropriate into new contracts; and
- reviewing existing long term contracts with a view to inserting Mizuho UK’s Modern Slavery clause where appropriate.

Mizuho has not been informed of any incidents of Modern Slavery during the year but will investigate any allegations should they arise and take appropriate action accordingly.

In the current financial year which will end on 31 March 2020, Mizuho UK intends to continue questioning our suppliers to assess and manage the risk of Modern Slavery and ensure all new contracts incorporate Mizuho’s Modern Slavery clause (as appropriate). We also intend to provide refresher training for our employees working closely with suppliers.

This statement was approved by Mizuho UK on 16 September 2019 and will be published prominently on our websites at: https://www.onemizuho.eu/governance/anti-slavery-and-trafficking-statements and at http://www.mizuhobank.com/uk/index.html

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