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## ANNEX III (Cont.)

5.16 Annex 14: Industry and main economic activities according to the ISIC code (iPCMP user survey, Q04) – Respondents’ specifications on the option “other”

| Q04: “What industry are you from and what are your main economic activities?” – Specifications on the option “Other” |
|--|
| 3471 - PLATING & POLISHING   |
| Accessories for pick up trucks made in mainly aluminium.   |
| Airgas is a leading distributor of industrial gases, hardgoods and safety supplies.                                  |
| Aluminum die casting/foundry   |
| Authorized Distributor of Electronic Components  |
| Auto parts   |
| Autolamp   |
| Automobile Components  |
| Automotive   |
| Automotive   |
| Automotive (Friction Materials)  |
| Automotive air conditioners and engine cooling systems   |
| Automotive antennas and antenna cable assemblies   |
| Automotive fasteners   |
| automotive frames  |
| Automotive Industry  |
| Automotive parts supplier  |
| Automotive Supplier  |
| automotive supplies  |
| automotive Tier 1 stamping   |
| Automotive, Wire Harenesses  |
| Automotive/Aerospace   |
| automotive/aerospace components  |
| Autoparts manufacturer and seller (seals & gaskets)  |
| Chemical Distribution  |



**Q04: "What industry are you from and what are your main economic activities?" – Specifications on the option "Other"**

XXX is a foundry and machining facility, mainly focusing on iron parts for auto and industry, including caliper bracket, caliper housing, exhaust manifold, etc

Coils slitted and cut to length

Complete windscreen wiper systems

Consulting firm that supports manufacturers of all types of products

Design, manufacturing and construction of air-intake systems for gasturbines according customer specifications

distributor of electro-mechanical parts and components

Distributor of Industrial Hose, Fittings and Accessories

Distributor of Wire & Cable

Distributors of nautical components.

XXX manufacturing Corp. make gasket (Rubber, metal gasket)

Electrical safety devices for vehicles

electrical sales

electronic components for the automotive industry

Engine Components Industrie for Diesel Engines on Ships, Locomotives and Gensets

fabrication of polyurethane foam and fiberglass insulation

Fasteners, Distribution

Forging

Foundry

Framing and stamping

Gray and Ductile Iron Foundry

HPDC aluminum alloy parts for automotive industry

Hydrostatic transmission supplier to outdoor power equipment manufacturers.

Industrial Plastic Distribution & Fabrication

Injection molder

Investment Casting - Low Alloy/Stainless Steel/Brass/Aluminum

Iron Foundry

Labels

Lubricants

Manufacture and distribution of basic metal fasteners and attaching equipment

Manufacture engine cooling devices such as radiators, charge air coolers, oil coolers and condensers.

Manufacture of automotive components (brakes).

Manufacture of automotive parts

manufacture of gaskets, seals

Manufacture of lead acid batteries.



**QO4: "What industry are you from and what are your main economic activities?" – Specifications on the option "Other"**

MANUFACTURE OF PRESSURE SENSITIVE LABELS MADE FROM PAPER OR FILM (VINYL, POLYPROPYLENE, POLYESTER)

Manufacture of springs and metal product

Manufacture of truck, automobile, marine, and industrial internal combustion engines.

Manufacturer of Automobile components

Manufacturing - assembly of automotive systems

Manufacturing and distribution of tire valves.

manufacturing car part ( stamping)

manufacturing in third party to machining parts

Manufacturing of Aircraft

Manufacturing of automotive parts

Manufacturing of mechanical assemblies for automotive industry (OEM's). Conflict minerals (only Tin) in our products are only present in 3 antifriction bushings purchased to 1 European company.

Metallic components for automotive industry - Brake Rotors

Mfg of Paint

Nameplates

Paint and coatings

Painting parts

paper making

PCB

Printing folding cartons

produce automobile parts, like rubber parts, rubber metal parts, and interior parts

producing and manufacturing of screws, studs, bolts in steel material

Rubber

rubber parts

Sealing Bearing and Engineered Solutions

Sensors & Controls

solders, brazes, materials for electronics packaging

stainless steel product

Steel distribution

Steel Plate Distribution

Supply for the automotiove parts and power tool parts and others

tanning and finishing leather for use in automotive industry

Transportation Logistics

We have two units on the same site: - Machining brake system parts - Polymers processing



**Q04: “What industry are you from and what are your main economic activities?” – Specifications on the option “Other”**

WE PRODUCE AND DELIVER CORRUGATED BOXES

we produce wire harnesses for automotive

wholesale distribution

Zinc alloy die-casting

5.17 Annex 15: SEC issuers’ reporting on Conflict Minerals as a whole company or as a legal entity (iPCMP user survey, Q06) – Respondents’ Comments

**Q06: “If you are an SEC issuer (non-filer), are you preparing a Conflict Minerals Report for your company as a whole or as a legal entity?” – Comments**

As requested by customer

Company in XXX XXX GROUP

Company sats they will not prepare an SECOND report.

N/A

N/A

Not a filer

Not an SEC filer

not determined as of this date

only local

Our firm falls out of scope, but we will be supporting filers

Our subsidiary, a legal entity headquartered in the US, will report to our non-USA parent. The parent is the SEC issuer and will manage CM policy and file form SD.

subsidiary plant

We are a subsidiary of a fortune 500 company

WITH MXXX WXXX

would like to understand significance of difference.

5.18 Annex 16: Reasons of SEC non-filers for preparing a Conflict Minerals Report (iPCMP user survey, Q07) – Specifications on option “Other”

**Q07: “If you are not an SEC issuer (non-filer), why are you preparing a Conflict Minerals Report?” – Comments on option “Other”**

also compliance with company’s own responsible sourcing policies and procedures



|   |
|---|
| Customer asked me to do so.   |
| In support of our OE customers.   |
| Our company is owned by a SEC-listed group  |
| the SEC issuer without English capability   |
| We are a XXX supplier   |
| we re not preparing a conflict minerals report. We are only responding to customer inquiries  |
| XXX and XXX request   |
| XXX has requested us to answer questions in respect to Conflict Minerals Report   |
| XXX questionnaire   |
| XXX request   |
| XXX requesting, we don't sell precious metals we are a supplier of maintenance parts for their buildings  |
| XXX understands that this action will provide a combat to eliminate all conflits (ethnic, social,...) in Countries or Regions) affected for this problem. |
| XXX, XXX, XXX, XXX for the noment   |

5.19 Annex 17: Position in the supply chain (iPCMP user survey, Q08) – Specifications on option “Other”

| Q08: “What is your position in the supply chain?” – Comments on option “Other”                                 |
|--|
| Authorized Distributor of Electronic Components  |
| component manufacturer   |
| Design, manufacturing and construction of air-intake systems for gasturbines according customer specifications |
| Distributor  |
| Distributor  |
| Distributor  |
| In case of Rubber gasket we have tier2 position.   |
| Mainly Tier 1 but also Tier 2 in some cases  |
| manufacture of Bearings, sleeves and circles   |
| Metal Service Centre   |
| NONE   |
| Steel Plate Distributor  |
| Tier 1, 2, and 3 on some programs  |
| Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3   |
| Tier 2 as well as trader   |
| tube mfg   |
| we are a supplier of maintenance parts for XXX' buildings  |



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| We are both an OEM and a Tier 1 supplier   |
| We delivered directly to ORM's   |
| we make rubber parts for the auto industry   |
| We produce wire harnesses for seats, automatic gear, start&stop                                    |
| We provide color and additive concentrates to end-product manufacturers as well as Tier providers. |
| We provide metal fasteners world wide to the furniture, mattress and automotive industries.        |
| We supply completed units which are added to a vehical   |
| We supply materials for the manufacture of electronic components/sub-assemblies/assemblies         |
| We support multiple levels in the supply chain   |
| we use a small amount of tin-based additives. No tin metal or alloys                               |





## 5.20 Annex 18: Number of active suppliers (iPCMP user survey, Q09) – Respondents' comments

| Q09: "How many active suppliers has your company got?" – Comments  |
|--|
| For our subdivision Electronics, for global company don't know   |
| globally; identified to be potentially affected by CM  |
| Guess  |
| Inclusive of all subsidiaries and affiliated companies globally  |
| In this context as well as in context of question 3 this is our product line only. Globally our company employs more than 10 000 staff, but for that I could not estimate the amount of suppliers. |
| Is there something to win?   |
| Less than 20   |
| only one effected by Conflict metals law   |
| Supplier for raw materials   |
| These suppliers are for materials containing conflict minerals   |
| Too many for 1 person to realistically chase.  |
| unknown at this time   |

## 5.21 Annex 19: Metals used in products and/or manufacturing processes (iPCMP user survey, Q10) – Respondents' comments

| Q10: "Which of the following metals do you use in your products and/or manufacturing processes?" – Comments   |
|---|
| 34CrNiMo6. 30CrNiMo8, 42CrMo4 are the basic material.   |
| Al  |
| All are possible content because of broad range of inventory offered  |
| all product produced by our company are made of stainless steel   |
| Aluminum  |
| Always tin in solder in electronics, also the other substances but less. E.g there are capacitors with tantalum, printed circuit boards with gold layer etc |
| Anyone  |
| At this time, I have found that one of the catalyst is Tin which per Supplier, some of the Tin is incorporated in product                                   |
| comercial assembly, any othe above mentioned metals would be contained within XXX or XXX products that we buy in.   |
| Conflict minerals (only Tin) in our products are only present in 3 antifriction bushings purchased to 1 European company.                                   |



| Q10: "Which of the following metals do you use in your products and/or manufacturing processes?" –<br>Comments  |
|---|
| copper\ Iron \ Steel \ Zine-alloy   |
| Currently unknown. Possibly tin   |
| electronic parts  |
| ferrum, silicon, copper, etc  |
| Gold plating in Printed Circuits Boards (PCB)   |
| Impurities in aluminum alloys   |
| legacy of iron  |
| less than 1000 lbs per year   |
| limited applications with tin; electronics with tungsten and gold;  |
| Low quantities used for soldering contacts.   |
| Metals are not used as component parts, Rubber bonded to metal inserts are mild steel, domestically produced.<br>No conflict materials are used.  |
| Minor quantities  |
| n/a   |
| n/a   |
| No  |
| No  |
| O   |
| No  |
| No above metal was used in our parts  |
| NO METALS IN CORRUGATED BOXES   |
| No of them are in our Products  |
| None in the products. The [...] question was about the use of Tin / Gold / Tungsten in our manufacturing equipment: Strictly speaking it is safe to assume that tin and gold are used in at least some of our electronic equipment for soldering / connectors ... like computer / telephones / ... Also we use tungsten carbide as any steel machining company probably would use. We checked with the company requesting information and were allowed to sign off that these products are not used in our manufacturing. [...] |
| no related material   |
| No use  |
| No,we do not have above metals.   |
| NON   |
| None  |
| None  |
| None  |
| NONE  |



Q10: "Which of the following metals do you use in your products and/or manufacturing processes?" –

Comments

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

NONE

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

None

NONE

NONE in ours, investigating our suppliers

none listed above

None of the above

None of the above

None of the above

None of the above

None of the above

None of the above mentioned

None of them

none of them

None of these

none of these

None of these minerals in our direct manufacturing processes.

None of those

NONE USED



| Q10: "Which of the following metals do you use in your products and/or manufacturing processes?" –<br>Comments   |
|--|
| None!  |
| none, we don't produce or sell the above metals  |
| Our products do not contain conflict materials.  |
| Our products do not use above material.  |
| we trade none of these materials   |
| None. Tin is present as impurity into Zn alloys, less than 0.003%  |
| None; aluminum & stainless steel only  |
| not as raw material but as part of a semifinished product.   |
| Only for two parts. Clip (tin plated) & switch contact (gold plated) sourced in Peru & Canada  |
| Only in select products for strength   |
| only small percentages in brass and alloys of zinc and copper  |
| Our best estimate is that we would have tantalum, tin and gold. We are unsure about tungsten at this point.  |
| Our brake system unit have been worked whit grey Casting iron, but we have not been used any of the metal above  |
| purchased electrical components (connected to our parts) contain minor quantities of these metals.   |
| Steel  |
| Steel, Alum. or Stainlesteel   |
| still awaiting supplier responses... electrical compoents  |
| The majority of our manufacturing sites do not use raw metals. But components, coatings, etc. that go into/onto our products may contain these metals. |
| The Sn it is a residual element which is coming from remelted scraps used by suppliers to cast Al alloy ingots.  |
| This is an estimate, as we have not received all of our supplier reports at this time.   |
| This is our current belief, but will be validated through our due diligence process.   |
| Tin ( Sn% ) 0.2 %Max   |
| Tin (Sn) is used to manufacture the Pb alloy that will be used on positive and negative grid the lead acid battery.                                    |
| Tin is present in steel, but I don't believe it is added.  |
| trace amounts in metal stampings and coatings.   |
| trace amounts in product only  |
| under study  |
| Unknown  |
| Used as single element, alloying element and/or plating element  |
| Very minimal quantities of tin are used in some of our products  |
| we are not a manufacturer  |
| we are not producer  |
| We are still trying to get information from our suppliers.   |



Q10: "Which of the following metals do you use in your products and/or manufacturing processes?" –

Comments

We are unknown at this time.

We do not purchase any of these items, tho our suppliers may.

we do not use any of these metals

We make gaket of aluminum.

We solder connections in the electronic controllers of the attaching machines we sell.

We use none. Some suppliers use trace amounts for their manufacturing process.

we use Zinc

5.22 Annex 20: Departments responsible for Conflict Minerals Reporting (iPCMP user survey, Q11) –  
Specifications on option "Other / Cross-functional team"

Q11: "Which department is responsible for Conflict Minerals Reporting at your company?" – Comments on the option "Other / Cross functional team"

also Laboratories

Business Operation System Department

Cross-functional steering committee with Legal/Compliance and Supply Chain

Engineering - Material compliance

Purchasing - Strategy + affected commodities

Environmental Compliance

Executive, Purchasing, IT

Finance, Purchasing and Legal

GENERAL MANAGER

HR & Ecology department

Including Finance

Ink room

ISO/ Quality

Management Planning Team

Manufacturing Dept

Marketing

marketing department

Marketing Department

N/A, as we do not use the Minerals in question

none, we don't produce or sell the above metals

not determined as of this date

Owner



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| Parent company will coordinate subsidiary company responses and take responsibility for reporting jointly with the applicable US subsidiary functional groups. |
| Procurement/Quality/EH&S   |
| Product management, procurement, legal, sales  |
| Quality  |
| Quality and Purchasing is working together.  |
| Quality Engineering  |
| R&D has the lead.  |
| R&D Team   |
| Regulatory Affairs   |
| Sales  |
| Sales  |
| Sales  |
| Sales  |
| Sales  |
| Sales  |
| sales and marketing  |
| Sales and Marketing for customer liaison   |
| Sales Department   |
| sales/customer service   |
| Supply Base  |
| Undecided at this point.   |
| under study  |
| we don't have a department that handles that.  |

5.23 Annex 21: Main products allocated to HS Codes on a 2-digit and 4-digit level (iPCMP user survey, Q12)

| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text                                    | HS Code<br>(2-digit) | HS Code<br>(4-digit) |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| mfg paint  | 28-38                | 32xx                 |
| Metal stamping and assembly.   | 28-38                | 3212                 |
| Color and additive masterbatch for the thermoplastics industry.                              | 28-38                | 3811                 |
| thermoplastic color and additive concentrates  | 28-38                | 3811                 |
| Closed Die Forging of Critical Rotating Disc   | 28-38                | 3818                 |
| Custom stamped and machined parts from thermosets, thermoplastics, films, and fibre with in- | 39-40                | 39xx                 |



| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text  | HS Code<br>(2-digit) | HS Code<br>(4-digit)    |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------|
| house tooling.   |                      |                         |
| Plastic  | 39-40                | 39xx                    |
| vacuum formed plastic products   | 39-40                | 39xx                    |
| Industrial Plastics  | 39-40                | 39xx                    |
| plastic products with 2nd finishing.   | 39-40                | 39xx                    |
| Vinyl compounds  | 39-40                | 3904/<br>3905           |
| Chemical - phenolic resins   | 39-40                | 3909                    |
| polyurethane foam, fiberglass insulation, and sponge rubber  | 39-40                | 3909                    |
| vinyl caps and plugs, extruded tubing  | 39-40                | 3917                    |
| Rubber and Plastic   | 39-40                | 39xx/<br>40xx           |
| Rubber & Plastics  | 39-40                | 39xx/<br>40xx           |
| rubber&plastic   | 39-40                | 39xx/<br>40xx           |
| Rubber products  | 39-40                | 40xx                    |
| Automotive foam and rubber parts   | 39-40                | 40xx                    |
| Rubber products  | 39-40                | 40xx                    |
| Rubber   | 39-40                | 40xx                    |
| Molded rubber.   | 39-40                | 40xx                    |
| Automotive rubber parts (not tires); Automtive fluid carrying components (fuel/brake lines, cooling components, etc) | 39-40                | 40xx                    |
| EPDM rubber  | 39-40                | 4002                    |
| Gaskets, shims, washers  | 39-40                | 4016                    |
| Seals  | 39-40                | 4016                    |
| cattle leather   | 41-43                | 4104                    |
| copper tubing  | 44-49                | 4416                    |
| Paper  | 44-49                | 48xx                    |
| CORRUGATED BOXES   | 44-49                | 4819                    |
| Paper cartons  | 44-49                | 4819                    |
|  |                      | 50xx/<br>51xx/<br>52xx/ |
| Rolled fabrics and industrial goods.   | 50-63                | 50xx/<br>51xx/<br>52xx/ |



| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text  | HS Code<br>(2-digit) | HS Code<br>(4-digit)   |
|--|----------------------|------------------------|
|  |                      | 58xx                   |
| bowden cables  | 50-63                | 56xx                   |
| Mechanical Cable Systems   | 50-63                | 5607                   |
| Tubing   | 50-63                | 5909/<br>7304/<br>8307 |
| Apparel  | 50-63                | 61xx/<br>62xx          |
| RUBBER BOOTS AND BELLOWS   | 64-67                | 6402                   |
| Friction Material  | 68-71                | 6813                   |
| foundation brakes for the light vehicle automotive industry (disc brakes, drum brakes, brake pads) | 68-71                | 6813                   |
| Weld studs and stud welding equipment  | 68-71                | 7117                   |
| Steel Coils  | 72-83                | 7213/<br>7221/<br>7227 |
| Steel coils  | 72-83                | 7213/<br>7221/<br>7227 |
| Metal fabrication and spray in bed liners in trucks.   | 72-83                | 72xx-<br>83xx          |
| metal powder   | 72-83                | 72xx-<br>83xx          |
| Powdered Metal   | 72-83                | 72xx-<br>83xx          |
| IRON AND STEEL CASTINGS  | 72-83                | 72xx                   |
| Tinplate Steel   | 72-83                | 72xx                   |
| Stampings  | 72-83                | 7204                   |
| automotive components, metal stampings   | 72-83                | 7204                   |
| stamping car part  | 72-83                | 7204                   |
| Large stampings and fascias  | 72-83                | 7204                   |
| Carbon and alloy steel bars  | 72-83                | 7207                   |
| Carbon & Alloy Steel Plate   | 72-83                | 7207                   |
| engineered metals and alloys   | 72-83                | 7217                   |





| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text                                  | HS Code<br>(2-digit) | HS Code<br>(4-digit) |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| Low carbon steel   | 72-83                | 7217                 |
| stainless steel product used for EGR   | 72-83                | 7218                 |
| Gray and Ductile Iron Castings   | 72-83                | 73xx                 |
| Gray and Ductile Iron castings   | 72-83                | 73xx                 |
| Axles, pins, and gears   | 72-83                | 7319/<br>8483        |
| Iron and Aluminum castings   | 72-83                | 7325                 |
| Gas line structures  | 72-83                | 7305                 |
| RIGGING HARDWARE AND WIRE ROPE   | 72-83                | 7312                 |
| Screws, Studs, Bolts   | 72-83                | 7318                 |
| helical springs and wire forms   | 72-83                | 7320                 |
| Springs  | 72-83                | 7320                 |
| Compression Springs  | 72-83                | 7320                 |
| Manufacture of springs and metal product   | 72-83                | 7320                 |
| heating and air conditioning of buildings  | 72-83                | 7322                 |
| Seat heaters, seat climate systems, electronics, wire harnesses                            | 72-83                | 7322                 |
| Iron castings  | 72-83                | 7325                 |
| bronze manufacturing   | 72-83                | 7403                 |
| Aluminum alloy parts   | 72-83                | 7601                 |
| HPDC aluminum alloy parts  | 72-83                | 7605                 |
| rivets and cold formed parts   | 72-83                | 7616                 |
| zinc component parts   | 72-83                | 79xx                 |
| Zinc alloy die cast for: Buildings, Automotive, Electronics                                | 72-83                | 7901                 |
| Turning parts from steel.  | 72-83                | 8104                 |
| AGRICULTURE  | 72-83                | 8201                 |
| Hardware   | 72-83                | 8302                 |
| steel hardware   | 72-83                | 8302                 |
| Brackets and clamps, heavy truck industry  | 72-83                | 8302                 |
| structural components and assemblies for the automotive industry                           | 72-83                | 8302                 |
| Brackets & springs   | 72-83                | 8302                 |
| Laminated lock \ warded lock\ Combo lock \ python lock\ flush handle                       | 72-83                | 8310                 |
| Complex machined metal parts for the Aerospace and Oil/Gas & Energy Production industries. | 84-85                | 84xx/<br>85xx        |
| components and systems for Automotive, Transports, Aerospace, Electrical machinery and     | 84-85                | 84xx/                |



| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text  | HS Code<br>(2-digit) | HS Code<br>(4-digit) |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| production machinery   |                      | 85xx                 |
| Fuel handling systems  | 84-85                | 8401                 |
| Internal combustion engines  | 84-85                | 8408                 |
| Engine sensor  | 84-85                | 8409                 |
| Engine Bearing & Bushing Manufacturing   | 84-85                | 8409                 |
| engine parts in motor vehicle made of steel  | 84-85                | 8409                 |
| Industrial & Hydraulic Hose, Fittings & Accessories  | 84-85                | 8410                 |
| Hydraulic rotary actuators   | 84-85                | 8410                 |
| hydraulic and electric components  | 84-85                | 8410                 |
| Hydraulic pump   | 84-85                | 8413                 |
| louvers, dampers, fans, blowers  | 84-85                | 8414                 |
| Automotive air conditioners and engine cooling systems   | 84-85                | 8415                 |
| automotive & HD heating/cooling  | 84-85                | 8415                 |
| HVAC equipment   | 84-85                | 8415                 |
| HVAC system  | 84-85                | 8415                 |
| Furnace parts  | 84-85                | 8416                 |
| Heat Exchangers  | 84-85                | 8419                 |
| Heat exchangers  | 84-85                | 8419                 |
| air filtration   | 84-85                | 8421                 |
| Accessories for pick up trucks   | 84-85                | 8431                 |
| Castings   | 84-85                | 8454                 |
| Castings   | 84-85                | 8454                 |
| Injection molded plastic   | 84-85                | 8480                 |
| Injection molded plastic parts   | 84-85                | 8480                 |
| Metal injection molding parts,powder metallurgy parts,self lubricating bearing,connecting rod for auto seat etc. | 84-85                | 8480                 |
| valves for venting systems of automotive fuel systems  | 84-85                | 8481                 |
| Valves   | 84-85                | 8481                 |
| Custom unground ball bearings and assemblies   | 84-85                | 8482                 |
| Camshaft Casting Rough Part & Finish Part  | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| off highway gear components  | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| Torque Converter, Engine Pulleys   | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| Crank Assy   | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| Bearings, Hydraulics, Cutting Tools, Specialty Steels  | 84-85                | 8483                 |



| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text  | HS Code<br>(2-digit) | HS Code<br>(4-digit) |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| Sheet Metal forming  | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| Cast crankshafts   | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| Crankshaft   | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| bearings, sleeves, circles, gear and gear box  | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| gears for transmissions  | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| Shafts   | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| Gears  | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| shaft seals and gaskets  | 84-85                | 8483                 |
| Gasket for vehicle.  | 84-85                | 8484                 |
| gaskets, seals   | 84-85                | 8484                 |
| GASKET MADE OF VARIOUS MATERIALS; EVERYTHING FROM PAPER TO COPPER  | 84-85                | 8484                 |
| electrical and process instruments   | 84-85                | 85xx                 |
| Coils, inductors, chokes, transformers   | 84-85                | 85xx                 |
| ELECTRICAL COMPONENTS  | 84-85                | 85xx                 |
| Electronic components  | 84-85                | 85xx                 |
| Components for communication industry  | 84-85                | 85xx                 |
| electric motors  | 84-85                | 8501                 |
| electric motors  | 84-85                | 8501                 |
| Diesel Generator sets, bow and stern thrusters, winches and in general supplies for marine industry at boatyards level.                                  | 84-85                | 8503                 |
| rare earth magnet  | 84-85                | 8505                 |
| Lead Acid Batteries to automotive vehicles.  | 84-85                | 8507                 |
| Complete windscreen wiper systems (electric motor, linkages, arms)   | 84-85                | 8512                 |
| Safety devices for vehicles such as radar, vision and night vision cameras, systems to control airbags etc   | 84-85                | 8530                 |
| LED lighting,heat sink   | 84-85                | 8531                 |
| Fire and Gas Detection control systems, Hazardous Area control systems, and Gas Turbine Controls, and Engineering expertises in the form of consultancy. | 84-85                | 8531                 |
| PCB (printed circuit boards)   | 84-85                | 8534                 |
| electrical fuses   | 84-85                | 8535                 |
| Membrane Switch  | 84-85                | 8535                 |
| Electromechanical Components, specifically switches  | 84-85                | 8536                 |
| ROTARY SWITCHES AND RELAYS   | 84-85                | 8538                 |
| Manufacturer of electromechanical products including rotary switches, rocker switches, relays  | 84-85                | 8538                 |



| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text                                      | HS Code<br>(2-digit) | HS Code<br>(4-digit) |
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| and mechanical assemblies  |                      |                      |
| Auto Lamp  | 84-85                | 8539                 |
| Lithography equipment for the semiconductor manufacturing industry                             | 84-85                | 8541                 |
| Solders and brazes for electronics packaging   | 84-85                | 8542                 |
| Wiring harnesses   | 84-85                | 8544                 |
| Wires and cables   | 84-85                | 8544                 |
| Wire, Cable, Cable assemblies and wiring harnesses   | 84-85                | 8544                 |
| Wire Harness Assemblies, interior lighting(underhood, ash, curtesy)                            | 84-85                | 8544                 |
| Park Brake Cable Assembly  | 86-89                | 8607                 |
| Brake system unit: hidraulic brake cylinders; Polymer unit: rubber and plastic parts           | 86-89                | 8607                 |
| Vehicle  | 86-89                | 87xx                 |
| Vehicles   | 86-89                | 87xx                 |
| Automotive industry  | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Injection molded and assembled plastic components for the Automotive industry                  | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Automotive   | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Automotive vehicles  | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Automotive   | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Automotive   | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Automotive   | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Automotive   | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Automotive   | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Automotive   | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Automotive   | 86-89                | 8703                 |
| Chassis-Finish Goods.  | 86-89                | 8706                 |
| SUSPENSION AND STEERING  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive Interiors component - Seat, Door panel, Headliners, floor console, Instrument panel | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive Electronics   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Autoparts  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Motor vehicles, power equipment and engine manufacturing, distribution and support.            | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| electronic components for the automotive industry  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| produce automobile parts, like rubber parts, rubber metal parts, and interior parts            | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive Parts   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| automotive components  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| cars and car components  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Suspensions  | 86-89                | 8708                 |



| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text  | HS Code<br>(2-digit) | HS Code<br>(4-digit) |
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| Automotive components (stampings, welded assemblies and mechanical components)   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive replacement water pumps   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive equipment   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive Electronics, such as AFS, PEPS, etc.  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| decorate part including exterior beltline, door fram, A/B / C pillar etc.  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| automotive parts; power tool parts; gas-fired accessories; textile machinery   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| automotive filter and engine components, coolers; off-road power systems; cooling systems; diesel engine applications; | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive components, Power Tools, Industrial equipment, Hydraulics   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive components  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive drive train   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| batteries for vehicles   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| automotive and construction component  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| automotive parts - starter & alternator motors, audio & video products   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Various automobile parts   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive Fuel Delivery Modules   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive electronics   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Coatins for automotive   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive shifters, smart actuator pumps, and electronics.  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| electronics for vehicles   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive Wire Harnesses and Components   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive Electronics   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| automotive plastic moldings  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| automotive components for service  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive sound proofing  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Manufacturing of Electronic control Unit of Automotive Engine, Automotive Heated Seat and Vent Module                  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| injection products for automobile  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive gas springs, dampers, link rods and vacuum actuators  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automotive sensors for wheel speed system, transmission, steering system anf fuel cards.                               | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| bumper assemblies  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR AUTOMOTIVE LIGHTING  | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| plastic parts (automotive)   | 86-89                | 8708                 |
| Automobile Lighting  | 86-89                | 8708                 |



| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text  | HS Code<br>(2-digit)          | HS Code<br>(4-digit) |
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| Brake Rotors   | 86-89                         | 8714                 |
| Aircraft   | 86-89                         | 88xx                 |
| Automotive and Heavy Duty Filters  | 90-97                         | 9002                 |
| including caliper bracket, caliper housing, rotor, knuckle, exhaust manifold, etc  | 90-97                         | 9017                 |
| Electrical test equipment  | 90-97                         | 9024                 |
| test & measurement instrumentation   | 90-97                         | 9024                 |
| Nameplates   | 90-97                         | 94xx                 |
| residential furnishings  | 90-97                         | 9404                 |
| Fasteners  | 90-97                         | 9607                 |
| Fasteners  | 90-97                         | 9607                 |
| Fasteners  | 90-97                         | 9607                 |
| All-Metal Fasteners  | 90-97                         | 9607                 |
| Fasteners  | 90-97                         | 9607                 |
| Automotive fasteners   | 90-97                         | 9607                 |
| metal fasteners  | 90-97                         | 9607                 |
| pins and shaft rods  | 90-97                         | 9615                 |
| Energy Management  | 98-99                         | 98xx                 |
| Construction Equipment Components.   | 98-99                         | 98xx                 |
| The company's wide range of products and services are used in areas such as cooling food, air conditioning, heating buildings, controlling electric motors and powering mobile machinery. The company is also active in the field of solar and wind power as well as district heating and cooling infrastructure that targets entire cities and urban communities. | 98-99                         | 98xx                 |
| Low and medium voltage electrical equipment and related components, software and services  | 98-99                         | 9820                 |
| Transportation Logistics   | 98-99                         | 9852                 |
| Authorized Distribution of Electronic Components: Resistors, Capacitors, Interconnect, Electro-mechanical, EMC and Switches  | 98-99                         | 9950                 |
| trading- no production   | 98-99                         | 9960                 |
| Acoustic and emission products   | Not allocatable unambiguously |                      |
| Air Induction Assemblies and Interior Assemblies   | Not allocatable unambiguously |                      |
| Alloy components   | Not allocatable unambiguously |                      |
| Antenna's  | Not allocatable unambiguously |                      |
| bearings, joints, retaining rings, disc springs, rod ends, keys, clevises, washers, knurled  | Not allocatable               |                      |



| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text                  | HS Code<br>(2-digit) | HS Code<br>(4-digit) |
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| washers, linear guideways, axial joints, angular joints, nuts              | unabiguously         |                      |
| board level electronic components  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Compressor Wheel for Turbor Charger  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Construction equipment / attachments                                       | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Cover assembly,tube,guide rod,   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Die casting of aluminum parts  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Diesel engines   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Diesel fuel system valves, sensors, and fillers.                           | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| DRIVETRAIN / AEROSPACE / POWDERED METROLOGY                                | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| E-coat   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Electrical Contacts  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| EPP product  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| GASKETS, SEALS -PE FOAMS PARTS   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| GOLD BONDING WIRE  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| HEAVY MACHINERY  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| High Pressure Diesel Fuel Lines  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Hydrostatic transmissions  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Industrial gases, welding hardgoods and safety products.                   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| instrument clusters  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Interiors & Power Supply   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Mechanical Face Seal Kits  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| mechanical pumps, valves and seals for O&G, Power/Energy, Chemical and GI. | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |



| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text                              | HS Code<br>(2-digit) | HS Code<br>(4-digit) |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| NAICS CODE 32112   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| piston rings   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Plastic injection molded components  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Plastuc Raw Material   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Platic tubes for wire hardness protection and fluid transfer                           | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Polymeric materials  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Powertrain components  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Process equipment, heat exchangers, centrifuges, pumps and valves for pharma and food. | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Protective caps/plugs.   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Resin  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Sensors  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Sensors and sensor assemblies  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Sheet metal products   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Soft ferrite components and assemblies   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| special lubricants   | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| stamped and plated components  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| the air-intake housing are produced in carbon-black steel or Stainless-steel           | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| thrusters for maritime marked  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Too Many - We deal with all industries.  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| truck accessories  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Turbocharger; center housing.  | Not allocatable      | unabiguously         |
| Turbo-chargers components, lever assy and arm&valve assy.                              | Not allocatable      |                      |





| Q12: "What is your main product category?" –Response Text | HS<br>Code<br>(2-digit) | HS<br>Code<br>(4-digit) |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|   | unabiguously            |                         |

#### 5.24 Annex 22: Estimated effort for Conflict Minerals Reporting (iPCMP user survey, Q13) – Respondents' comments

| Q13: "What is the estimated effort for Conflict Minerals Reporting at your company for the following areas?" –Comments  |
|---|
| ?   |
| 167   |
| 72  |
| a very rough estimation   |
| Almost- no cost.  |
| Anyone  |
| As these material are neither in our products or in our raw material / processes per se, we approach this with minimum effort. However, as our customer explicitly demands a report we do report "No use" |
| Because we do not deal in minerals we are not spending any resources on it.   |
| cannot understand what effort the question is asking for  |
| Cost information has not all been identified at this time.  |
| Currently unknown   |
| do not have information available   |
| Do not know at this point.  |
| Due to the fact, that no Conflict Minerals are used in our production process, it is not possible to answer this question properly.   |
| Essentially zero  |
| estimation of 3rd party audit costs not possible at this point in time  |
| Handled by headquarters in Japan mostly, so I do not know. But for now just 3, 6 and 7  |
| Have not calculated costs   |
| I am not able to judge, since report to SEC will be prepared on company level - it will include our two other divisions   |
| Intra-Group reporting effort cost are guesstimates.   |
| i-Point premier licensing   |
| Just Time   |
| N/A   |
| Never been reported.  |



**Q13: "What is the estimated effort for Conflict Minerals Reporting at your company for the following areas?" –Comments**

|  |
|--|
| No assessment at this point.   |
| No budget allocated  |
| no comments  |
| No conflict minerals used  |
| no costs have been estimated   |
| No estimates available.  |
| No extra costs involved. Done by manager as requested.   |
| No idea, but some people work a lot with this  |
| No information available   |
| NO METALS IN CORRUGATED BOXES  |
| None   |
| None   |
| None as we do not use the Materilas specified in point 10  |
| nor calculated yet   |
| not determined as of this date   |
| Not estimated yet.   |
| Our company was agree whit conflict materials, before this rules.  |
| rest to be determined  |
| TBD  |
| The cost of for Conflict Minerals Reporting is exceedingly high  |
| The Sn content is limited by the standard EN 1676:2010   |
| The time involved has been ridiculous in comparison to the actual success that could have been achieved through other means... |
| there is no activities because no conflict minerals used.  |
| This is a new area. We will be working to improve our efforts.   |
| Too early to tell, but significant   |
| too soon to estimate ongoing costs per year.   |
| total estimated project costs \$1.7M, with about \$200,000 annual ongoing costs per year                                       |
| Uncertain at this point.   |
| unknown  |
| unknown  |
| Unknown.   |
| Unsure of impact at this time.   |
| Very limited since we do not use 3T&G  |
| We are still trying to understand the activity in details.   |



Q13: "What is the estimated effort for Conflict Minerals Reporting at your company for the following areas?" –Comments

we are unsure of these costs at this time.

We have not estimated a cost of implementation

we represent italian and european producers with an international experience. we can ensure that all our suppliers/producers respect all the law according to this issue



## 5.25 Annex 23: Expected positive social impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme: Clustered free text answers (iPCMP user survey, Q15)

### Q1 5a: "What positive social impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?" –Respondents' clustered answers

#### Political and social stability

- Avoid war
- Better conditions
- Blurring conflicts of any nature and improve living standards for poor countries
- bring about life changes for people
- change goverment
- Decrease of violence
- Decreased activity
- establishing rules to protect people insecurity
- Ethnic-Social Equilibrium and better income distribution of the regions free of conflicts.
- for communities in order to preserve life
- happy to have products without materials which are prohibited/made from inappropriate practices
- help to protect chils affected for this situations
- Improved human conditions in treatment and pay.
- improved working practices, including less child labor and improved mine conditions
- inhibition of inhuman mining
- it may discourage some traficing by terrorist group/rebels
- It may help to reduce issues like child labour, minimization of armed groups.
- Less interest in using people as half slaves, more focus on sustainable incomes.
- limited probability of reduced violence
- long term positive effect
- long-term stabilisation of conflict areas
- Lower the bussiness for the mines and smelters funding war in the area, translating into less conflict in the area.
- May have a positive social affect in affected affected areas..
- May put pressure on these countries to stop current human rights violations.
- Potential reduction of human right abuses and related issues
- preventing explotation of a large class of people
- Puts additional pressure on conflict regions to change
- reduce the use of forced labor in the conflict minerals areas
- Reduces corruptiomn



### Q1 5a: "What positive social impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?" –Respondents' clustered answers

- Reduction in exploitive labor.
- Reduction in forced mining to aid militias
- Reduction of business = improve political possibilities.
- reduction of extortion, bribery, corruption; more safe working conditions
- Regulate current human condition for those people.
- Respect and guarantee human rights
- Responsible sources of minerals should strengthen - leading to more responsible employment etc.
- Since there is less support of military groups there will be less armed conflicts
- social change
- state sponsored operations will decrease
- stop of human rights abuse
- Working together to reduce conflict

#### International awareness, transparency and progress

- Awareness
- Awareness about Conflict Minerals
- Awareness of the situation to the world
- Awareness of where conflict materials are supplied from and a effort to eliminate them in our processes.
- Bring more light to the cause
- Companies will begin to form means of tracing supply chains that in the future will benefit such communities
- Encouraging companys to reduce the use of conflice minerals spontaneously
- improve the society's awareness
- increases awareness of issues
- International Pressure and risk, will cause some dealers to stop dealing with it.
- more awareness
- more emphysis on minerals used in products
- More focus on the problem
- pressure on governments to regulate
- raises awareness of issues
- security, transparency
- traceability schemes will legitimize miners
- We need more diligence in use of IT Systems

#### Environment

- Avoid environment contamination
- Environment
- Environmental factors



Q1 5a: "What positive social impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?" –Respondents' clustered answers

- It good for environment.
- Suppliers will be helping DRC from exploiting their natural resources.

Defunding the warlords

- It should help with the defunding of the military groups in the Congo and surrounding areas
- May help defund the warlords
- Reduce funding
- Reduces the flow of money from mines to the armed groups



## 5.26 Annex 24: Expected negative social impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme: Clustered free text answers (iPCMP user survey, Q15)

### Q15b: "What negative social impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?" –Respondents' clustered answers

#### Impoverishment/Unemployment

- a lot of workless people
- Additional impoverished local communities due to smelters ceasing operations in the DRC and surrounding countries.
- hurts locals for lack of business
- I THINK IT WILL JUST PUSH THE OPERATIONS FURTHER UNDERGROUND AND WILL MAKE IT HARDER FOR THE HONEST WORKING PERSON TO EARN AN HONEST LIVING
- It will cause unintended consequences to the country that will hurt the citizens financially
- Less money going into already poor countries.
- loss of business means loss of a lot of money and jobs. this again has a negative effect on the population living in these areas
- Loss of jobs due to major companies banning minerals from the DRC
- potential shutting out of the market of small operators- unemployment
- the human population in these areas will be poorer and poorer.
- unemployment rates will rise, reason for conflicts will be increased short term
- Will negatively affect an already damaged economy.

#### No significant or further negative effects

- having a bad effect on human health.
- It doesn't mean that the same groups will not find other income sources. As this law is treating one of the effects, not the real cause, the armed groups will find another way to get income and probably create new problems in the regions.
- it has been reported from an OECD meeting that school enrollment is down for local communities
- Metals will be sold to customers who don't care. Less opportunities for locals to get an income can fuel the conflicts.
- Militant groups are likely to continue to be in power (moving away from CFS sourced mines and tapping new mines). The CFS program is unlikely to work; as there is no way to regulate what the smelters purchase.
- one more rule forced by government that does not contribute to the bottom line.
- people will always make money and do what they need to do to survive.
- rebels will take over any successful operation
- Seeking other means
- This legislation will not stop any mining in the DRC or adjoining countries. It is political kowtowing, nothing



**Q15b: "What negative social impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?" –Respondents' clustered answers**

more.

- Trade will do at risk and secret - less fear of hurting people (nothing to lose)
- Won't stop conflict mining activities completely

**Embargo/Reduced economic activity**

- Causing a de facto embargo that is likely harming the country more than it is helping it.
- Decrease of orders of conflict minerals in the affected area
- defacto embargo of area
- I believe that many companies are essentially going to source from other areas thus negatively impacting legitimate local operators and their communities
- it will create an embargo on the involved countries
- It will drive down the amount small operation can sell there material
- Local operators not involved in conflict will be affected negatively as potential customers go elsewhere.
- Loss of business
- Reduce economic activity in the regions, despite however small that might already be in the areas.
- They will find other ways, but the people in general will suffer from the economic loss.

**Increased bureaucracy and effort**

- A great deal of reporting time is being spent raising overhead cost for US copanies.
- administration,
- cost factors for small tier suppliers
- high cost for certification, maybe the fair companies will be not able to undergo certification
- It will have a dramatic cost, as a whole, to manufacturing in the US in order to implement the necessary controls and maintain
- managing/ time input necessary
- May cause an increase of minerals costs
- These initiatives are costly and add more layers of govt. mandated compliance.
- too much burocracy
- will cost money & manpower that solves nothing.

**More corruption**

- black market operations will increase to fill void
- cause more conflicts for suppliers using these minerals in order to find alternate products
- Conflict will be driven by other more socially damaging activities such as drug exportation/manufacture.
- Creation of even more oppressive, under-ground, lucrative ways for marketing forbidden minerals
- Less possibilities to have corruption financing the conflict will ultimately trigger the involved corrupt communities to find other ways of fueling the conflict





**Q1 5b: “What negative social impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?” –Respondents’ clustered answers**

- May drive even more corruption as the illegal operators seek new ways to smuggle their goods
- Possibly little to no impact that may drive greater demand from wrong places
- pressure will continue to increase on the innocents as the bad actors develop new means of exploitation to maintain their power
- topic turns over to get more criminalizes

**Violence increase/escalation**

- Barriers imposed by the minority which holds the 'power' currently in the regions can cause major conflicts to prevent this action.
- Potential arm movement.
- Unlikely to improve the situation and likely will escalate the violence beyond current areas.

5.27 Annex 25: Expected positive economic impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme:  
Clustered free text answers (iPCMP user survey, Q17)



Q17a: "What positive economic impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?" –

#### Respondents' clustered answers

##### Increased trade and market fairness

- a more stable political surrounding will attract more investors
- Blurring conflicts of any nature and improve living standards for poor countries
- Due diligence will keep the need to stop buying conflict minerals fresh in people's minds. This means there will not be a market for these minerals.
- Fair trade of conflict minerals
- Finance to the groups performing non- humanitarian activities will be stopped.
- Improve customer satisfaction
- Improved economics with global trade allowed
- increase in economic rewards
- invest in safer equipment/practices
- It may slow the supply of the conflict materials initially
- Less money for the warlords
- More regulations
- Needs of the market
- Positive impact for responsible business
- possibly drive up value of a scarce commodity
- possibly for a living wage in the conflict areas or at least stop indentured service
- Reduces corruption
- restricting number of players
- save economic loss due to abuse of conflict minerals
- Source minerals to more economic areas.
- stop for money supporting war

##### Improvements in local income distribution and social/political development

- Better income distribution and financial development of the regions free of conflicts.
- Better salary conditions and align companies to current business regulations
- DRC will be benefited.
- Due diligence will generate some local financial infusion
- Hopefully ease tensions and fighting in the affected areas
- less forced labor for local peoples;
- local operators will be encouraged to operate in a more acceptable manner.
- long term positive impact when (if) conflicts are resolved
- May have a positive social affect in affected areas
- Oppression always runs out of effect when subjects learn about alternatives. Payment will be more to local



**Q17a: “What positive economic impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?” –**

**Respondents’ clustered answers**

benefit.

- people can generate legal income
- reduce the use of forced labor in the conflict minerals areas
- social change, business direction change
- To be possible that the communities can grow in freedom

**No significant or further negative effects**

- I don't know, but I think so.
- I don't really see a positive economic impact.
- No positive impact
- None
- Requires additional resources to do the research
- the price for small operation will be driven far from market value, causing a loss

**Benefit for conflict-free mines and operators**

- Better prices
- good mines should prosper
- If the conflicted mines and smelters go out of business, more sales will come to conflict-free mines/smelter.
- It's good for the supply chain.

5.28 Annex 26: Expected negative economic impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme:

Clustered free text answers (iPCMP user survey, Q17)

**Q17b: “What negative economic impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?” –**

**Respondents’ clustered answers**

**Economic loss for local operators and society**

- Companies may avoid purchasing materials from the DRC region so they don't have to go through the hassle of determining whether or not the materials are "conflict free".
- Companies walking away from sourcing in the affected region
- Could decrease jobs in the area
- Decrease of orders of conflict minerals in the affected area
- Decreased business in region
- decreased demand for conflict minerals mined in DRCAC



Q17b: "What negative economic impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?"

Respondents' clustered answers

- due to burdensome compliance rules some might avoid doing business with any operators of the DRC which again leads to a big economic loss in these areas
- embargo
- even though it is blood money, the communities in those regions will see even less money
- Export taxes paid for mineral sales collected by exporting countries will not be available once more illegal activities are taken up to fund conflict.
- For conflict-affected areas, economy can get poorer as sales of minerals will drop off according to this activity
- FOR THOSE WHO ARE ALREADY IN A DESPERATE SITUATION, I AM NOT SURE THIS IS GOING TO MAKE IT ANY EASIER.
- high probability of reduced income for local operators as major corporations reduce or eliminate purchases
- I am concerned that it may adversely affect legitimate income for the area.
- I think many legitimate operators will be forced out of business as companies move to sources away from the conflict area
- initially local operators will lose out
- it will create an embargo on the involved countries
- It will hurt the economy in these areas
- Legislation will drive elimination of purchases from the region - Purchases from good/bad entities
- Legitimate mines sales will drop generating additional financial problems to the region.
- Less money for the legitimate miners and their families
- Less money going into already poor countries.
- Loss of business
- Loss of jobs in affected countries
- lower prices for goods without traceability, people will remain impoverished and unrest will increase
- Mines may become unused and, therefore, communities may be economically crippled.
- More companies will require sourcing of conflict minerals outside the DRC which will significantly depress all areas within the DRC.
- no income for the working mining for them if nobody will purchase
- people could lose access to income due to administration, registration etc.
- People not knowing about the Conflict Minerals issues will probably avoid buying products from that area just by the name "DRC" even if the company producing has no relationship with the anti-government society.
- People will be out of work
- potential unemployment for artisanal miners
- Recession because of conflicts (deaths, destruction,...)
- reduce work available in these areas
- reduced ability to make profits from conflict areas;



Q17b: "What negative economic impact of a Conflict Minerals due diligence scheme do you expect for local operators and communities as well as for the underlying conflicts themselves?" –

#### Respondents' clustered answers

- Revenue at mines will decline, locals will lose employment, gangs will still rule.
- short term negative economic impact on the people in those regions
- Short term this will have a negative impact on their operations
- short term: household incomes will decrease due to loss of employment
- Slower economic growth for the high risk areas, as mining operations slow down
- some people will lost their job, families will lost income,
- The small local operators will likely be negatively impacted. The conflict parties will be affected also. This may not serve to alter their activities.
- They will loose out - fewer customers = lesser margins
- until civility is restored, the local operators continue to consolidate and the population in general will not enjoy any of the benefits the natural resources may have been able to provide
- Will reduce companies willingness to work with legitimate ore/minerals providers in the affected/at risk countries

#### Cost or price increase

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- change supply chains,m increase costs; gives advantage to companies of those countries that do not care about Due Dilligence on CM
- Cost increases that will ultimately be passed on to customer causing great impact on the economy.
- Cost to much \$\$\$\$
- Cost up
- For companies, they might not be able to reduce cost by procuring the minerals at a higher price from somewhere else not DRC.
- high costs involved
- higher operating costs for complying companies
- I think this politically motivated effort is only going to increase cost for the private sector, and increase government environmental costs. This effort will not benefit the DRC in any way or prevent any mining in such regions.
- prices will increase
- will this benefit to people subject to current exploited people ? Will minerals market suffer increase in pricing?

#### No significant or further negative effects

- Another regulatiom that will not have it'ss ittended effects.
- At first due to finding alternate sources, but level off in the end.
- CANNOT EVALUATE
- Conflicts will keep going on till the UN gets tough and clamps down on these people and that will never happen



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- I don't know, but I think so.
- It will generate another layer of useless information.
- Law Suits for get quick rich Lawyers and Organizations
- No impact
- No negative impact

Increased illegal trade and corruption

- I THINK IT WILL JUST PUSH THE OPERATIONS FURTHER UNDERGROUND AND WILL MAKE IT HARDER FOR THE HONEST WORKING PERSON TO EARN AN HONEST LIVING
- It is our opinion, the materials will be laundered through other areas and will eventually make it into the supply chain.
- More crime and corruption
- Only special person will be rich.
- possibly increase illegal trading & mining
- rare earth metals are worth a lot of money. They will find a way to sell them regardless of what the law says

Other

- As mentioned above
- Infra structures need to be developed enabling fair sharing by local population.
- same as # 15.
- same as above

