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Use of conflict minerals and metals

Declaration of Dodd-Frank-Act, Section 1502

Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform & Consumer Protection Act requires public companies in the U.S. to disclose their use of

- **tin**
- **tungsten**
- **tantalum**
- **gold** (3TGs)

in their products and determine if they are sourced in an ethical manner – in order to prevent armed groups in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and surrounding regions from benefiting from the sale of these minerals.

In scope companies must perform due diligence to determine if 3TGs were sourced from the DRC and adjoining countries. Companies must identify whether conflict minerals are present within their products.

The regulation has a flow-down effect to suppliers, who are responsible for upholding the indirect requirements to comply with Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act.

Companies that are based outside the USA are neither obliged to comply with the law nor to inform the companies directly affected by it.

Nevertheless we see it as our obligation to comply with the requirements of the Dodd-Frank Act and confirm that we do not obtain the material concerned from the following countries of Origin:

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| - Angola | - Sudan |
| - Burundi | - Tanzania |
| - Central African Republic | - Uganda |
| - Republic of the Kongo | - Zambia |
| - Rwanda | |

As far as possible we can confirm that we have checked our supply chain to this effect and, to the best of our knowledge, no affected materials from the above mentioned countries are processed for our products.

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