



**PARLIAMENT
OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC**
Chamber of Deputies
Ondřej Benešík
Chairman
Committee on European Affairs

Prague, 30th November 2022

Dear Ms. President,

I would like to inform you about the opinion of the Committee on European Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the prohibiting products made with forced labour on the Union market /Council Code 12711/22, COM(2022) 453 final/.

The respective document was included in the agenda of the 18th session of the Committee for European Affairs and was scrutinized on 23rd November 2022. According to the Rules of Procedure the Deputy Minister of Industry and Trade was present at the session to introduce the preliminary Government's Framework Position.

After the hearing of the rapporteur's review and after the discussion the Committee has adopted the **Resolution No. 111 in the context of the Political Dialogue** which is enclosed to this letter.

Yours sincerely

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President of the European Commission
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Resolution No. 111

18th Session on 23 November 2022

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the prohibiting products made with forced labour on the Union market /Council Code 12711/22, COM(2022) 453 final/

Conclusions of the Resolution:

Committee for European Affairs

1. **takes note of** the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the prohibiting products made with forced labour on the Union market;
2. **supports** the Government's Framework Position on this document;
3. **supports** the adoption of this document as an option to deepen the protection of human rights in the fight against modern slavery;
4. **welcomes** the adoption of this document in responding to the efforts of the United Nations to eradicate forced labour by 2030;
5. **draws attention** to possible difficulties in cases of inquiries subject to the consent of both another State and an economic operator;
6. **warns of** a possible increase in the administrative and financial burden on member states' competent authorities as well as on economic operators;
7. **warns of** the eventuality that economic operators and competent authorities will not have sufficient time to prepare for new obligations under the Regulation given the proposed date of application of the Regulation;
8. **authorizes** the Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs to forward this resolution to the President of the European Commission **in the framework of the political dialogue**.