Forest Stewardship Council®



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SUBJECT: FSC DEMANDS RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE RIGHT TO FREE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Dear

On behalf of FSC International Board of Directors, I am writing to you to record our concern on the deterioration of workers and trade union rights in Myanmar since February 2021.

As the Director General, I have the mandate of the Board and organization to demand that all FSC certificate holders in Myanmar respect human rights and the right to free collective bargaining as provided within the ILO charter. This is in line with our existing FSC Chain of Custody requirements which can be found <u>here</u>.

In your capacity of FSC certificate holder based in Myanmar, I am therefore calling upon you to keep supporting this mandate, which will be verified in the coming months as part of FSC's assurance mechanisms.

I thank you for your cooperation and take this opportunity to wish you a peaceful New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Kim CarstensenDirector General



