

**Email title: Please support Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence and amending Directive (EU) 2019/1937**

Dear \_\_\_\_\_

I am writing to you as... [insert relevant info about where you live, that you are a voter (if you are), that you work for xxx and care about exploitation and forced labour. Or write as an NGO.]

Please can I ask you to vote for the **DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence and amending Directive (EU) 2019/1937** which will come to plenary session **31 May – 1 June**. See [here](#).

This directive has the potential to transform the lives of millions of exploited people, while making things fair for businesses in the European Union who wish to do the right thing.

Many businesses wish to prevent exploitation of human beings and the environment. As long as their competitors are required to follow the same due diligence legislation as them, they see no difficulty. See, for example, the views of the world's global cocoa companies [here](#). They would actually like the EU proposal to go further.

I request that you **vote for the text** which is being presented to plenary session and to **reject any amendment which would seek to weaken the legislation**.

However, I think there is an essential thing missing in the draft text. To be fair to businesses, as well as to fight human rights abuses, I believe it is important that we ensure a **level playing field** across the European Union. That is why I ask you to support amendments which demand a **common penalty** imposed on any company found guilty of not following mandatory due diligence rules.

Please would you speak up for and support amendments calling for a **fixed pecuniary sanction** so that businesses in every EU nation face the same rule. For example, German legislation calls for 2% of a company's global turnover.

Your support for a strong due diligence directive will prevent exploitation from taking place. Please vote yes.

Thank you so much for all that you do to make the world a better place.

[sign off as you would normally]