

Factory X (Dangerfield) Response re. Forced labour in factories in Xinjiang, China
6 August 2019

Business & Human Rights Resource Centre invited Factory X (Dangerfield) to respond to the following item:

“Cotton On and Target investigate suppliers after forced labour of Uyghurs exposed in China's Xinjiang”, ABC News, 17 July 2019: <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-07-15/uyghur-forced-labour-xinjiang-china/11298750>

Factory X sent us the following response:

Factory X does not accept Forced Labour.

Factory X supports the ILO Conventions Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No.105) and Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29) and our Forced Labour Policy is based on these conventions.

As per our Factory X Child and Forced Labour Policy, Factory X acknowledges the fact that child and forced labour occurs in many countries. However, Factory X does not accept child or forced labour, and our goal is that no products delivered to Factory X are produced by child or forced labour.

Please also see a quote from the Dangerfield statement from ABC News online article:

“Australian fashion brand Dangerfield says it sources up to 7 per cent of its cotton from Xinjiang, but that it inspects factories and that its suppliers have signed agreements not to purchase cotton that is produced from forced labour camps.”

The full article can be found here;

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-07-15/uyghur-forced-labour-xinjiang-china/11298750>

We would like to refer you to Dangerfield’s comprehensive Social Ethical Policies and also Factory X - General Principal on Forced Labour. Please follow the links below for full details.

Dangerfield Social and Ethical Policy.

<https://shop.dangerfield.com.au/social-and-ethical-compliance-policy/>

General Principal on Forced Labour

<https://shop.dangerfield.com.au/media/socialethical/Child-Forced-Bonded-and-Prison-Labour-Policy.pdf>