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Dear Giulia Barbos,

Thank you for your invitation to respond to the claims made in the Public Eye report. We describe below our position on the topics that are relevant to Bunge.

A figure in the report implies that Bunge owns a significant amount of land. It is unclear from the report and the figure where this data comes from, or the nature of that land. Bunge does not own any land for the production of soy or plantations for the production of palm oil. Owned land could constitute sugar plantations, which are operated through a joint venture with BP, called BP Bunge Bioenergia. We would encourage readers to contact the media office at BP Bunge Bioenergia for more information.

There is a separate claim in the report about allegations of abuse of human rights defenders and workers in the palm oil supply chain. Although the allegations are not directed at Bunge, there are references to other reports within the material that describe our position in the palm value chain.

Bunge does not own farms or plantations. Nevertheless, the possibility of human rights violations in our supply chains is taken very seriously. Bunge expects our supply chain partners and business partners to adhere to the principles in our Code of Conduct, including the commitment to uphold human rights, to treat their employees with dignity and respect and to comply with applicable employment laws. The Company does not tolerate any supplier who knowingly employs or exploits children or uses forced labor, or who engages in other forms of exploitation, including against human rights defenders.

In our value chains where the potential for human rights risks are most prominent – chiefly our tropical oils business, including shea from West Africa and palm from Southeast Asia – we have developed robust processes to identify and investigate allegations of human rights violations and take steps to stop confirmed cases. For instance, our publicly available palm grievance list displays current and recent incidents. Our [Palm Oil Sourcing Policy](#) lays out expectations of our suppliers to comply with Bunge's NDPE commitments (no deforestation, no peat, no exploitation).

Thank you for your time.

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