

hunkemöller

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Re: Invitation to respond - Hunkemoller in our Myanmar Garment Worker Allegations Tracker and Weekly Update

Dear Mrs Begum,

We are deeply concerned about the situation in Myanmar and condemn the human right abuses that have been taking place in the country. Since the coup, we have been in close contact with our suppliers to safeguard the position, the rights and the safety of the workers in our factories. We take the accusations made by the Business & Human Rights Resource Centre very serious but welcome the fact that these allegations were brought to our attention. We have immediately started investigating the claims through our compliance process.

After contacting Myanmar Efforts Garment, we were informed by factory management that there were no illegally dismissed workers due to a lack of orders or otherwise. Moreover, no factory workers were forced to take leave without the legally due severance payment. However, to further assist our investigation, we will continue to closely work together with other stakeholders to better understand the situation and – if necessary – provide for proper remediation. With transparency and by working together we can use our influence to improve labour conditions and protect the rights of garment workers.

Sincerely,

Hunkemöller B.V.