Dear Ms. Malabanan,

I’m Toshiaki Hyodo. I’m incharge of Kirin’s corprate communications.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to respond to the article

Kirin shares the concerns of the international community regarding the serious questions being raised about human rights in Myanmar.

Kirin takes its responsibilities in Myanmar seriously and will take necessary action to ensure our business activities in the region adhere to the highest standards.

At Kirin, respect for human rights is fundamental to all of our business activities and we remain committed to ensuring that our operations are in line with the Kirin Group Human Rights Policy.

<https://www.kirinholdings.co.jp/english/csv/human_rights/pdf/myanmar_en.pdf>

<https://www.kirinholdings.co.jp/english/news/2018/1214_01.html>

We appreciate the challenges of operating in frontier markets and are constantly working to deepen our understanding of the many complexities and improve our systems. It is our view that one of our roles in business is to encourage alignment with global best practice and corporate governance standards.

In addition to building on the commitments set out in the summary report of our 2018 Human Rights Impact Assessment in Myanmar, we are in discussion with MEHL on the challenges in advancing governance and transparency in our businesses in Myanmar, including the potential issues highlighted in the United Nations Fact-Finding Mission in Myanmar’s report.

Please let us know if you have any further enquiries.

Kind regards,

Toshiaki