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Dear Business and Human Rights Resource Centre,

Thank you for providing Volvo Group with the opportunity to respond to the follow-up report by Swedwatch related to the use of Volvo machinery in Myanmar's jade mines.

On 10<sup>th</sup> June 2020, the Swedish NGO Swedwatch published a follow-up report to their publication in 2018 on the sale of mining equipment to the jade industry in Northern Myanmar. Volvo Construction Equipment ("Volvo CE") and its fully owned brand Terex Trucks are included in the report. We would like to give you a short update on the work we have done since the 2018 report, noting that Swedwatch has acknowledged our efforts and progress.

We stand by our commitment to respect human rights. It is important for us to clarify that Volvo CE does not have own operations or employees in Myanmar. A private dealer handles Volvo CE's sales in Myanmar and Volvo CE does not have any ownership in this company. Volvo CE requires its private dealer in Myanmar to comply with all applicable laws, regulations and sanctions. The private dealer also has its own Code of Conduct, which includes a statement on respect for human rights.

Since the publication of Swedwatch's 2018 report, we have worked with a credible human rights expert organization to understand our scope of responsibility, and broader country-level and industry level human rights risks in Myanmar, relevant for Volvo CE's business. Our partner organization has extensive experience from performing similar work in Myanmar. As part of this engagement, they had discussions with three renowned local human rights and responsible business organizations in Myanmar.

We will continue to take the outcome of our work into consideration as we strengthen our responsible sales approach. You can find more information about our perspective on human rights and responsible sales in our [Annual and Sustainability Report 2019](#) pages 42-43, and 61.

Sincerely,

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