

ORGANIZATION

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Name:

UK pledge to support international efforts to end child labour

Description:

The UK remains committed to eradicating human trafficking and the scourge of modern slavery internationally.

Implementation plan:

- The UK will continue to work in partnership with UK businesses to identify and address modern slavery risks in their operations and supply chains. We have committed to take forward an ambitious package of changes in due course to strengthen the Modern Slavery Act 2015 including:
 - Extending the reporting requirement to public bodies with a budget of £36 million or more;
 - Mandating the specific reporting topics that modern slavery statements must cover;
 - Requiring organisations to publish their modern slavery statements on the new Government digital reporting service;
 - Setting a single reporting deadline by which all modern slavery statements must be published;
 - Introducing financial penalties for organisations who fail to meet their statutory obligations to publish annual modern slavery statements under the Modern Slavery Act 2015.
- We will work with government partners (including Alliance 8.7) to strengthen donor coordination efforts and support social protection and other measures, which mitigate against an increase in child labour and forced labour due to impact of Covid-19.
- Continuing the UK's role as the world leader in tackling child sexual abuse, we will strive to deliver HMG's Tackling Child Sexual Abuse Strategy, published in January 2021, by working internationally to strengthen the global response. This includes driving common global standards, collaborating with international partners, helping strengthen protections for children in key at-risk countries and combatting transnational child sex offenders.
- We will review the current UK Government's Modern Slavery Strategy, including a public engagement process to assess current progress on our international and domestic response to tackle modern slavery, human trafficking and child labour.

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• The UK Modern Slavery Envoy will continue to engage governments (including signatories of the Call to Action to end Forced Labour, Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking), to support regional and national responses and share best practice on what works to tackle the worst forms of child labour in countries of high prevalence.

Impact:

Children are one of the most vulnerable groups exploited by perpetrators of forced labour and modern slavery and require specific tailored solutions to protect them from harm. Through the 'Call to Action to end Modern Slavery, Forced Labour and Human Trafficking,' the UK government continues to push for elimination of the worst forms of child labour, working with businesses to eliminate child labour in global supply chains.