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COSCO SHIPPING (UK) COMPANY LIMITED

MODERN SLAVERY ACT STATEMENT

This statement is made in accordance with section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015. It is intended to provide information on the steps taken to manage the risk of modern slavery within our own business and our supply chains.

ABOUT THE CHINA COSCO SHIPPING GROUP

Cosco Shipping (UK) Company Ltd is part of the China Cosco Shipping Group, a global logistics enterprise. The China Cosco Shipping Group is engaged principally in the carriage of goods by sea. The Group also owns and leases and operates ships, ports, freight forwarding operations road haulage operations, warehouses, shipbuilding and ship repair facilities, ISO containers and container manufacturing and repair facilities and offices throughout the world. The Group's UK operations make up a small part of its overall activities.

In the UK, the Group owns, through subsidiaries incorporated in the UK, ships, warehousing, container line agency operations, freight forwarding and, in partnership with Hutchison Ports UK Ltd, who issue their own statement under the Act, a container repair and storage facility. It also operates as a charterer and operator of third party ships, as a competitive shipbroker in the dry cargo market and as general agent for ships calling at British ports.

OUR POLICIES

The China Cosco Shipping Group as a whole is opposed to slavery and human trafficking in all its forms and is committed to tackling and preventing any such activities within its business and supply chains.

The Group operates a system whereby all significant suppliers are approved centrally. Such suppliers are normally located in China; where they are not, they are well established organisations supplying many other shipping companies.

The China Cosco Shipping Group has been a participant in the United Nations Global Compact since 2005. The Global Compact has as its mission to support companies to do business responsibly by aligning their strategies and operations with ten principles on human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption.

THE UNITED KINGDOM

Cosco Shipping (UK) Company Ltd considers that the risk of slavery in its UK operations is very low. We do not engage in dealings with labour supply operations in the UK.

As with all businesses in our field, we are aware of the risk of human trafficking aboard our ships and using containers carried by us and we carry out the precautions which are customary in our industry, including stowaway searches, etc. All our ships are compliant with the Maritime Labour Convention of 2006. Ships owned in the UK fly the British flag, are

classed by Lloyds Register of Shipping and are regularly inspected and audited by the Maritime and Coastguard Authority.

One stowaway was detected in 2016; the young man was well treated and was returned to his point of origin with the full co-operation of the authorities in the state where he stowed away and the state in which he was taken ashore and from which he was flown home. An investigation into the circumstances concluded that he had acted on his own and had not been trafficked by a gang.

TRAINING AND INITIATIVES

Cosco Shipping (UK) Company Ltd does not currently train its staff specifically to recognise the risks of modern slavery in its business, but this policy is kept under review.

As set out above, the company is aware of the risks of human trafficking aboard ships and containers and continues to follow applicable laws and regulations and acts in conformity with industry best practice to prevent such trafficking.

In future modern slavery statements, we aim to report on any initiatives and actions that have been taken to monitor and strengthen our commitment to ensure that the risk of slavery and human trafficking is, as far as possible, eradicated.