Sustainability Management Office

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To whom it may concern,

Re: Samsung must investigate its cobalt supply chain and prove that it is addressing human rights abuses

Your company is increasingly using rechargeable batteries to power mobile phones, tablets, laptops and other products. We enjoy these products but we don’t want to buy them if they are linked to human rights abuses.

Half of the world’s **cobalt**, a key component in the lithium-ion rechargeable batteries, comes from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). Amnesty International has documented that in mines of the DRC children, as young as seven, often work for up to 12 hours a day in the mines, carrying heavy loads, to earn between one and two dollars a day.

We urge Samsung to:

* Vigorously investigate the company’s cobalt supply chain for human rights abuses;
* Address human rights abuses where identified, by removing children from the mines and improving working conditions of adult miners;
* Publish the company’s due diligence practices.

It is time for Samsung to take responsibility for the mining of the raw material that goes into the battery of the company’s lucrative products.

Yours faithfully

Name

Address: