

Statement on Conflict Minerals – Dodd-Frank Act – Regulation (EU) 2017/821

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On July 15, 2010, the U.S. Congress passed the Wall Street Reform Act, which also includes a regulation for conflict minerals. The law is aimed at companies that use tantalum, tin, tungsten or gold in their products or for the production of their products and requires these companies to file an annual report with the US Securities and Exchange Commission disclosing whether these minerals originate from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) or its neighboring countries.

In Europe, Regulation (EU) 2017/821 came into force on May 17, 2017 to establish supply chain due diligence obligations for EU-importers of tin, tantalum, tungsten, their ores and gold from conflict and high risk areas.

To meet the requirements of our customers and European legislation, we have actively requested our suppliers to provide us with information on the origin from conflict and high risk areas of the materials we use.

We currently have no indications that "so-called conflict minerals" could be contained in our products.

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