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Subject: RE: Reply to FR notice Doc. 2010- 3655 - by SGEPC, INDIA

Dear Tarun Dewan:

I am writing from the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Child Labor, Forced Labor and Human Trafficking, an office within the Bureau of International Labor Affairs, to acknowledge receipt of your e-mail and the accompanying attachments. We will ensure that the information is reviewed as part of our ongoing research on child labor and forced labor.

Please feel free to contact us with any further information or questions.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Tina McCarter/ Ms. Leyla Strotkamp,
 Bureau of International Labor Affairs,
 US Department of Labor,
Washington(USA)

Madam,

This has reference to the Federal Registered Notice(FR DOC 2010-3655 dated 24th February, 2010) issued by Deputy Undersecretary for International Labor Affairs, US Department of Labor.

Sports Goods Export Promotion council is a Trade Promotion organization, sponsored by Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India. All the leading manufacturers/exporters of sports goods are its members. As a nodal agency of sports manufacturers of India, we would like to submit our reply to the above mentioned FR Notice

COMMENTS

We would like to refer to the Annual Report on child Labor brought out by US Dept. of Labor in which 122 products were identified from 58 countries where either child Labor or forced Labor is used. One of the products identified as using child Labor was "Soccer Balls from India". On this issue we have already submitted our reply and comments as per details given below:-

1. **Ms. Hilda Solis , US Labor Secretary & Ms. Sandra Polaski, Deputy undersecretary**

Mail sent on 10th December, 2009 (Copy enclosed)

The reply received from Ms. Hilda Solis is also enclosed.

2. **Ms. Marcia Eugenio, Director, US Department of Labor**

Additional information submitted by mail on 21st January, 2010 (copy enclosed)

Reply received from Ms. Marcia Eugenio is also enclosed.

3. **Mr. Sameer Sheth, Labor Officer, Embassy of USA, New Delhi**

Personal meeting was held on 27th January, 2010 at his office where presentation about the efforts being made by Sports Goods Industry in successful eradication of child labour was given.

4. **Ms. Angela Peltzer, International Relations Officer, US Dept. of Labor**

Meeting held at Delhi on 10th February, 2010 where presentation about the efforts being made by Sports Goods Industry was given.

We would like to add here that Soccer Balls manufacturers based in India had formed Sports Goods Foundation of India in 1998 which is an organization working on elimination and rehabilitation of child Labor in the sports goods industry. A latest report on the activities of Sports Goods Foundation of India and efforts put in by this organization in successful elimination of child Labor from soccer ball manufacturing is enclosed. More can be found at www.sgfi.org.

Hope above information will be useful in reviewing your report and removing the name of "Soccer balls from India" from the report.

Regards,

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