

Capsicum Reinsurance Brokers LLP Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement for Financial Year 2018

Introduction

This Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement is made on behalf of Capsicum Reinsurance Brokers LLP ("Capsicum Re") pursuant to section 54 of the United Kingdom Modern Slavery Act 2015 (the "Act"), for the financial year ending 31 December 2018.

It sets out the steps that Capsicum Re has taken, and is continuing to take, to ensure that modern slavery and human trafficking is not taking place within any part of our business, or in any of our supply chains.

Our Business Organisation, Structure and Supply Chains

Capsicum Re and its subsidiaries (the "Cap Re Group") provide insurance brokerage and consulting services to both domestic and international entities. Its brokers, agents and administrators act as intermediaries between reinsurers and their customers. The majority of Cap Re Group's revenue is generated in the UK and USA with remainder derived primarily from Australia, Bermuda, Canada, the Caribbean, the European Union, Latin America, New Zealand and Nigeria.

The Cap Re Group is part of the Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. group companies (the "AJG Group"). Capsicum Re headquartered in London, UK and is a separate legal entity distinct from its subsidiaries that operate in a number of countries.

Capsicum Re provides insurance brokerage and risk management services to a wide variety of commercial, industrial, institutional and governmental organisations. This includes planning, designing, and administering a wide array of reinsurance and risk management programmes. Our risk management services include claims and information management, risk and control consulting to help our clients reduce their risk costs and manage their risks effectively.

Our supply chains are limited as we do not produce, manufacture or retail goods. Capsicum Re does employ external service providers contracted for the maintenance and support of our offices, including cleaning and technical support services for office infrastructure and IT, and for outsourcing certain functions ordinarily performed by Capsicum Re.

Our Policy and Approach

Holding persons in slavery or servitude, requiring persons to perform forced or compulsory labour, and the human trafficking of persons for exploitation, are crimes and violations of fundamental human rights. Capsicum Re has zero tolerance to any form of slavery and human trafficking, and is committed to enforcing effective systems and controls to ensure neither is taking place in any part of our business or in any of our supply chains.

Capsicum Re is also committed to adhering to the highest standards of moral, professional, and ethical behaviour, and acting with integrity and transparency in all our business relationships. As part of the AJG Group, Capsicum Re therefore expects all those connected to our supplier network, or involved in procurement for the company or in any other part of our business, to

comply with the AJG Global Standards of Business, which is available to view by accessing <https://www.ajg.com/about-us/global-standards/>.

We comply with all laws, regulations and rules relevant to our business, and take our corporate and social responsibilities very seriously. We expect the same high standards from those we conduct business with.

An endorsement of the AJG Group's behavioural approach is it being consistently recognised by the Ethisphere Institute as one of the world's leading ethical companies. We are pleased to be part of the AJG Group and continue to conduct ourselves in a way that actively demonstrates our high standards of integrity, professionalism and the strength of the AJG Group's culture and core values. In addition, the employing entity for the UK AJG Group is an official Living Wage Foundation accredited employer.

Our Policies and Standards of Business Conduct

Capsicum Re operates in accordance with a number of internal global and UK AJG Group policies and procedures to ensure that we are conducting business in an ethical and transparent manner. We identify and mitigate risk across a range of areas, including slavery and human trafficking, through integrating these policies and procedures. All UK AJG Group policies are reviewed regularly and our UK AJG Group internal governance requires the policies to be overseen by senior management, sponsored at a UK Executive level and to take account of our Global Standards of Business Conduct (together the "Standards").

Collectively the Standards address both the work environment and the specific issues associated with slavery and human trafficking. They include Standards for our own business workforce covering: harassment and discrimination; diversity and equal employment opportunity; safe workplaces; and wage and hour laws.

The UK AJG Group policies and processes address slavery and human trafficking, the following being central to our approach:

- an annually reviewed Modern Slavery Policy outlining the behaviours expected of all employees.
- suppliers and service providers, where appropriate, are required to confirm that their business does not contradict our zero tolerance approach.
- actively requiring that our suppliers and service providers comply with all laws and regulations that apply to their business, which may, for instance, include paying their employees at least the national minimum wage or the prevailing minimum wage for international suppliers.
- UK work eligibility checks for all employees to safeguard against human trafficking or individuals being forced to work against their will.
- mandating our recruitment agencies to perform background checks which together with our internal checks provide qualitative information on various risks, including conduct risk.
- a Remuneration and Incentive Policy that addresses wage requirements.
- a Procurement Policy that establishes due diligence requirements.
- a Whistleblowing Policy that ensures all employees know how to raise concerns about how colleagues are being treated or regarding practices within our business or supply chain without fear of reprisal.

Due Diligence

Our Procurement function carries out due diligence on a risk-based approach prior to contracting with any new supplier to the Capsicum Re business. The level of due diligence carried out depends on the type of supplier; for example where a supplier is providing 'personnel'-driven services such as cleaning, a deeper review is performed to ensure that our contracts contain obligations that the supplier will comply with the Act.

Due diligence on our critical suppliers is carried out on an annual basis. All critical suppliers need to confirm that they comply with the spirit and principles of the Act and where applicable, Capsicum Re will review the supplier's statement to ensure that it is up to date and that the supplier is refreshing their commitments.

Risk Management

Overall, the nature of our business is considered to face a low risk that modern slavery and human trafficking will take place. While we have a focus on conducting risk analysis and risk management for those business partners, suppliers and service providers where risk may be higher, we are nonetheless keenly aware that the possibility does exist throughout our supply chains.

Effectiveness

Capsicum Re will use various central resources, including our HR, Procurement and internal audit teams to monitor the effectiveness of the steps we have taken through applying performance indicators, which include, reports of instances where modern slavery or human trafficking practices have been identified, including from employees, the public, or law enforcement agencies, and grievance mechanisms and statistics.

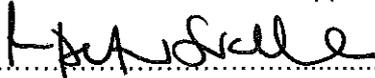
In addition, while not compulsory, we plan to register with the HM Home Office Modern Slavery Contacts Database, on the basis that there is real value in obtaining continued guidance on how to improve our monitoring and prevention of modern slavery.

Further Steps

In conjunction with the AJG Group approach, we will continue to review what further steps can be taken to ensure our obligations under the Act are met in full. Specific measures include:

- reviewing our acquisition due diligence and integration strategy to ensure the acquired business understand the impact of modern slavery and embed our risk control framework in their business operations; and
- the roll-out of mandatory conduct training to all employees, which includes awareness and reporting of modern slavery.

This statement is Capsicum Re's second such statement and was approved by its members.

Signature of the Designated Member: 

Designated Member's Name / Position: RW Stalman CEO

Date: 12/6/19