## **MPIL MODERN SLAVERY STATEMENT 2020**

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The Modern Slavery Act 2015 prohibits slavery, servitude, forced or compulsory labour and human trafficking ("Modern Slavery"). We do not tolerate Modern Slavery in our organisation or in our supply chain.

## **OUR BUSINESS**

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# **OUR SUPPLY CHAINS**

Our supply chains include print production, logistics and distribution services, manufacturers of our educational response device and some book-related components, IT and other office equipment suppliers, professional services from lawyers, accountants, computer staff and other advisors, travel-related services, office cleaning and other office facilities services.

# **OUR POLICIES ON MODERN SLAVERY**

The Macmillan Code of Conduct reflects our commitment to acting ethically and with integrity in all our business relationships.

Our opposition to Modern Slavery is reaffirmed in the Macmillan Code of Ethics for Business Partners. It provides that our vendors, suppliers, agents and other business partners must conduct business ethically, honestly and with integrity. The current Code requires that all workers are treated with dignity and respect and prohibits using any form of slavery, servitude, forced or compulsory labour, bonded labour or human trafficking or violence or coercion against labourers. Compliance with applicable minimum age and child labour laws is also specifically required.

Various Macmillan businesses participate in professional and other organisations that require detailed commitments from suppliers with respect to health and safety, labour standards, wages, discrimination and the environment. Such organisations include The Book Chain Project in the UK, a collaboration of leading publishers who have worked together since 2003 to drive social and environmental responsibility in product supply chains. We expect all our product suppliers in this part of our supply chain to commit to working towards the standards set out in The Book Chain Project Supplier Code of Conduct.

## DUE DILIGENCE PROCESSES

As part of our commitment to identifying and mitigating the risk of Modern Slavery in our supply chains, we have implemented a group-wide Supplier Information Management tool to enable us to assess our supply partners in respect of Modern Slavery and other risks. This review process which was originally implemented in 2019, Macmillan has informed various staff in finance and procurement areas about the risks that Macmillan seeks to identify and mitigate. This due diligence process also provides us an opportunity to remind suppliers of our values and ethical standards. New suppliers in high-risk categories of MPIL are only appointed after a risk assessment has been performed. Separately, we have an observation checklist for business staff to use on supplier visits to review onsite conditions periodically.

## SUPPLIER ADHERENCE TO OUR VALUES AND ETHICS

Our Code of Ethics for Business Partners forms part of our contract with all suppliers and they are required to confirm that no part of their business operations contradicts this policy. As we onboard suppliers to our Supplier Information Management tool, each is provided a link to the Code of Ethics and required to affirm compliance to the Code or an equivalent set of principles,

# TRAINING

In 2019 we offered training on the risks of Modern Slavery available to our procurement staff and others who work with vendors. In 2021, we will again offer training to our business partners and urge those suppliers who have joined The Book Chain to take the training that organisation makes available for members.

# WHISTLEBLOWING

Macmillan has in place whistleblowing procedures in order that violations of our Code of Conduct or Code of Ethics for Business Partners can be reported. Issues can be raised internally or the online facility "Speak Up" can be used to anonymously or with a reporter's name to report issues. Retaliation against those raising a good-faith concern is strictly prohibited. In 2020, we will host a speak-up awareness campaign for our UK employees.

# PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

We will continue to monitor Modern Slavery risk, including by considering information received from our business partners and through our due diligence processes, Speak Up reports, training programs and our professional organization partners.

# APPROVAL

This Modern Slavery Statement has been approved by the Board of Directors of Macmillan Publishers International Limited for the financial year ending 31 December 2019 at a board meeting on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

We produce such a report annually, generally within six months of the end of our fiscal year on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Our report for the financial year ending 31 December 2019 was delayed as MPIL responded to effects of the coronavirus on its customers and employees. The efforts to address Modern Slavery risk during the pandemic will fall to be reported on in MPIL's Modern Slavery Statement for the financial year ending 31 December 2020.

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Director for and on behalf of Macmillan Publishers International Limited

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# MACMILLAN PUBLISHERS INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

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The board of directors of Macmillan Publishers International Limited has considered and adopted the Modern Slavery Statement of Macmillan Publishers International Limited, a copy of which is annexed.

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