

## **GROUP STATEMENT**

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## **Axis Group Statement on Responsible Mineral Sourcing**

Products manufactured and sold by the Axis Group (referred to as "Axis" in this statement and includes all entities directly or indirectly controlled by Axis AB) contain materials that originate from a variety of minerals. These materials are sourced through diverse supply chains from their places of origin throughout the world. Mineral mining sites, smelters or other processing sites for some of those materials are known to contain elements of armed group involvement, serious human rights violations or environmental destruction. Corporations are therefore being called upon to exercise part of their social responsibility by ascertaining such conflict/high-risk regions and avoiding the use of materials supplied from business operators disrespecting human rights or environmental conservation in those regions.

For materials originating from tantalum, tin, gold or tungsten (conflict minerals) as well as other materials originating from minerals that Axis has determined to be at high-risk (cobalt, etc.), Axis will conduct a "reasonable country of origin inquiry" or due diligence in accordance with the OECD Due Diligence Guidance in order to:

- verify that said materials do not constitute sources of funds belonging to armed groups that are located in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or adjoining countries in Central Africa, and
- ii) avoid sourcing said materials from processing sites, etc. with an elevated level of human rights risk or environmental risk that are located in conflict/high-risk regions around the world.

In the event that significant risk is uncovered along a supply chain for those materials, then Axis will request the suppliers to switch over to a low-risk supply chain in order to fulfil responsible mineral sourcing. Axis will disclose information regarding these initiatives to its customers and stakeholders in Axis yearly Sustainability report.

As members of our global supply chain, we expect our business partners to participate in surveys, follow the Axis Supplier Code of Conduct and cooperate with audits. Axis would like our business partners to acknowledge the international circumstances surrounding the responsible mineral sourcing and join Axis in carrying out the responsible sourcing of necessary minerals in the interest of ensuring the safe and secure supply of products.

## **Supporting documents**

Axis Group Policy – Code of Conduct Axis Group Environmental Policy Axis Group Human Rights Policy Axis Supplier Code of Conduct