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Statement regarding allocation of Fairtrade products

To whom it may concern,

Daarnhouwer only selects suppliers with a good track record and a broad experience in the specific branch. New suppliers are being evaluated by checking the information on the supplier questionnaires, traceability information and the available product specifications.

Who has the authority to decide the Fairtrade volume allocation within Daarnhouwer?

- *Every trader, in consultation with the trade manager, is responsible of his/her suppliers and the amount of Fairtrade product he/she intends to purchase*
- *No other Daarnhouwer staff is authorized to purchase or sell batches of (Fairtrade) product*
- *We offer sourcing plans with pre-financing included. We share the sourcing plans, which mention our intentions of buying, to our long time suppliers*

How may an individual or group anonymously raise a complaint of fraud, shall a person claiming to represent the trader request payment for Fairtrade volume allocation?

- *We refer to our grievance procedure (available on the Daarnhouwer website)*

The factors we take into account when allocating Fairtrade volumes to SPO's:

- *We purchase based on historical contracts (trying to match the same quantity) and based on forecasted sales*
- *Most of our Fairtrade segregated product are bought to serve specific clients who requires that specific origin/quality*
- *We then use most of the purchased cocoa for the dedicated buyer, and some of it for small chocolate makers*
- *We only share the FT Sourcing plans which mention our intentions of buying from our long time suppliers*

Sincerely and best regards,

Daarnhouwer & Co B.V.