

Response from Cargill

11 August 2025

Thank you for reaching out and for the opportunity to comment on your upcoming publication.

We take allegations of environmental and social non-compliance seriously and continue ensuring that our soy supply chain in Brazil operates in accordance with all applicable laws, including the Forest Code, and our own sourcing policies.

Cargill affirms that compliance checks were conducted in accordance with established procedures and denies sourcing from any illegal areas.

Response from Bunge

14 August 2025

Bunge did not have prior access to the report to be able to fully understand the allegations, or the sources and methodologies used to support them.

The company has a suppliers socio-environmental verification procedure which includes daily checks carried out before each negotiation and receipt of grains to confirm its compliance with Brazilian laws, as well as alignment with Bunge's policies on sustainability, suppliers, and human rights and the voluntary commitments to which Bunge is signatory.

Furthermore, as part of Bunge's Global Non-Deforestation Commitment, which seeks value chains free of deforestation and conversion of natural vegetation from 2025 onwards, over the last decade, Bunge has worked to build a risk-based traceability and monitoring system. We use cutting-edge satellite technology to monitor priority areas in South America – over 46,300 farms, covering more than 36 million hectares. As a result of these efforts, late last year, Bunge became the first global commodity exporter to achieve 100% traceability and monitoring for the areas of production for its direct and indirect soybean purchases in priority regions of the Brazilian Cerrado, which include the states of Maranhão, Tocantins, Piauí, Bahia and Mato Grosso. It's worth mentioning that, in the Amazon biome, we've had full traceability and monitoring of production areas for our purchases for over a decade.

Considering that environmental and human rights matters can intersect, Bunge also maintains and implements a variety of policies, resources, and services to mitigate related risks. Developed in consultation with internal and external stakeholders, our Human Rights Policy guides our operations and underpins our due diligence processes, and is aligned with international standards for respecting human rights. Furthermore, we have a Supplier Code of Conduct, which is referenced in all our Brazilian grain purchase contracts. Recently, as part of our continuous improvement process, we updated our Soy Sourcing Policy. We also have a grievance mechanism in place to seek to ensure we are aware of and are able to investigate any concerns.

Regarding to EUDR, Bunge is working diligently toward delivery of EUDR-compliant commodities to the EU market from the applicability date. Among other key steps, we assessed the connectivity of our global footprint and worked together with our relevant upstream supply chains toward EUDR readiness. We formed a governance structure that continues to oversee various Bunge workstreams, which work to address the required risk assessments (including mitigations where relevant), due diligence processes and readiness.

We reinforce our commitment to building sustainable agriculture practices throughout our supply chains and supporting projects that safeguard the environment, respect human rights and improve the economic well-being of farmers, employees and local communities. We are transparent in our efforts – our successes and the opportunities for continued improvement - and we share this information publicly through our comprehensive annual sustainability report.

Response from the Round Table on Responsible Soy

14 August 2025

Question: In August 2024, RTRS informed us that in response to our findings, a grievance process was triggered and a due diligence process underway to assess the allegations made against Grupo Horita and Franciosi Agro. Is it this investigation that ASI is now conducting for RTRS, or is ASI's review in addition to RTRS's internal process? If the former, can you clarify why it was not initiated sooner? If the latter, could you share the outcome of RTRS's own internal due diligence?

Answer: Yes, that is correct. In August 2024, we began a process to assess the allegations. The main outcome was that we did not have the internal resources to conduct the analysis appropriately. Therefore, by December, we began looking for external, independent parties with the necessary expertise to carry out the work. Unfortunately, the search and contracting process took longer than expected, but we are confident that we have chosen the most suitable partner for the task.

Question: Do the certificates for Grupo Horita and Franciosi Agro remain suspended?

Yes, and they will remain suspended until the entire process is concluded.

Question: Does RTRS intend to take any measures to remove the ability for producers to certify only certain farms, without being required to comply with RTRS's Standard across all their properties?

This is something that must be analyzed once we have all the information from ASI's report. We are therefore waiting for the process to conclude before making any decisions. If any modifications are suggested, we will need to follow the formal revision process, which concludes with approval from all RTRS members through a General Assembly.

Response from the Mizote Group (translated from Portuguese)

11 August 2025

The P. Mizote Group, in response to the letter sent on behalf of the Earthsight organization, hereby presents its statement regarding the points contained in the document received, as well as providing the appropriate clarifications based on the official information available.

The P. Mizote Group, as already informed this institution in a timely manner, bases its actions on strict environmental governance in all its ventures, conducting its activities based on the principles of legality, good faith, and respect for the environment.

All areas under the responsibility of the P. Mizote Group are subject to continuous technical monitoring, with due observance of applicable environmental, administrative and legal requirements.

With specific regard to the Santa Paula Farm, it should be clarified that there was no removal of native vegetation in the Legal Reserve area by the group, and the LR and APP areas are duly registered in the State Forest Registry of Rural Properties (CEFIR), as required by current environmental legislation.

The aforementioned environmental intervention—the removal of native vegetation carried out in March 2025—occurred entirely in an area suitable for alternative land use, in accordance with applicable legislation, and was preceded by the appropriate Vegetation Removal Authorization issued by the Bahia Institute of Environment and Water Resources (INEMA).

The removal in question was expressly authorized by INEMA Ordinance No. 26,239, regularly published in the Official Gazette of the State of Bahia on June 8, 2022, and valid until June 8, 2026. This ordinance is in full force and was issued based on a technical and legal analysis by the competent environmental agency, following due administrative legal process.

The environmental authorization acts that regulate the activities of the P. Mizote Group are public, auditable, and regularly published on the official transparency channels of the State of Bahia, and are therefore available for consultation by any interested party, including civil society organizations.

Furthermore, the P. Mizote Group maintains business relationships that adhere to ethical, environmental, and legal compliance standards. All negotiations are conducted based on internal and external audits, aligned with the traceability, sustainability, and accountability requirements that guide the industry.

Finally, we hereby acknowledge the availability of the P. Mizote Group to avoid erroneous conclusions or those based on incorrect assumptions. We expect that the information provided herein, as well as the referenced public documents, will be fully considered in the preparation of this report and that any citations or references to the

P. Mizote Group will be made clearly, fairly, and responsibly, respecting the right to a full defense and the truthfulness of the facts.

We reinforce our commitment to complying with environmental standards and our willingness to collaborate with the relevant authorities to clarify any questions, believing that dialogue and careful analysis during the administrative process are essential to ensure legal certainty and compliance with current legislation.

Response from the Mizote Group (original Portuguese)

11 August 2025

À Earthsight,

O Grupo P. Mizote, em atenção ao ofício encaminhado em nome da organização Earthsight, vem apresentar sua manifestação sobre os apontamentos constantes do documento recebido, bem como prestar os esclarecimentos cabíveis com base nas informações oficiais disponíveis.

O Grupo P. Mizote, tal qual já informado à esta instituição em oportunamente, pauta sua atuação por rigorosa governança ambiental em todos os seus empreendimentos, conduzindo suas atividades com base nos princípios da legalidade, da boa-fé e do respeito ao meio ambiente. Todas as áreas sob responsabilidade do Grupo P. Mizote são objeto de contínuo acompanhamento técnico, com a devida observância às exigências ambientais, administrativas e legais aplicáveis.

Com relação específica à Fazenda Santa Paula, cumpre esclarecer que não houve qualquer supressão de vegetação nativa em área de Reserva Legal praticada pelo grupo, sendo que as áreas de RL e de APP estão devidamente cadastradas no Cadastro Estadual Florestal de Imóveis Rurais (CEFIR), conforme determina a legislação ambiental vigente.

A intervenção ambiental mencionada – supressão de vegetação nativa realizada em março de 2025 – ocorreu integralmente em área passível de uso alternativo do solo, nos termos da legislação aplicável, e foi precedida da competente Autorização de Supressão de Vegetação dada pelo Instituto do Meio Ambiente e Recursos Hídricos da Bahia – INEMA.

A supressão em questão foi expressamente autorizada pela Portaria INEMA nº 26.239, regularmente publicada no Diário Oficial do Estado da Bahia em 08 de junho de 2022, com validade até 08 de junho de 2026. A referida portaria encontra-se em pleno vigor e foi expedida com base em análise técnica e jurídica do órgão ambiental competente, após o devido processo legal administrativo.

Os atos autorizativos ambientais que regulam as atividades do Grupo P. Mizote são públicos, auditáveis e regularmente publicados nos canais oficiais de transparência do Estado da Bahia, estando, portanto, disponíveis para consulta por qualquer interessado, inclusive por organizações da sociedade civil.

Ainda, o Grupo P. Mizote mantém relações comerciais que observam padrões éticos, ambientais e de conformidade legal. Todas as negociações são conduzidas com base em

auditorias internas e externas, alinhadas às exigências de rastreabilidade, sustentabilidade e responsabilidade que norteiam o setor.

Por fim, registramos a disponibilidade do Grupo P. Mizote, a fim de evitar conclusões equivocadas ou baseadas em premissas incorretas. Contamos que as informações ora prestadas, bem como os documentos públicos de referência, sejam consideradas integralmente na elaboração do relatório em questão e que eventuais citações ou menções ao Grupo P. Mizote sejam feitas de forma clara, justa e responsável, respeitando os direitos à ampla defesa e à veracidade dos fatos.

Reforçamos nosso compromisso com o cumprimento das normas ambientais e nossa disposição em colaborar com as autoridades competentes para esclarecer quaisquer questionamentos, acreditando que o diálogo e a análise criteriosa durante o processo administrativo são essenciais para assegurar segurança jurídica e a conformidade com a legislação vigente.