



U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Forced Labor Enforcement, Points of Contact

Forced Labor Law - 19 U.S.C. 1307

Section 307 of the Tariff Act of 1930 prohibits the importation of merchandise mined, produced or manufactured, wholly or in part, in any foreign country by forced labor – including forced or indentured child labor. Such merchandise is subject to exclusion and/or seizure, and may lead to criminal investigation of the importer(s).

CBP acts on information concerning specific manufacturers/exporters and specific merchandise. The agency does not generally target entire product lines or industries in problematic countries or regions.

Forced Labor Enforcement

CBP partners with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and other participating U.S. government agencies to investigate forced labor allegations.

CBP encourages stakeholders in the trade community to closely examine their supply chains to ensure goods imported into the United States are not mined, produced or manufactured, wholly or in part, with prohibited forms of labor, i.e., slave, convict, indentured, or forced or indentured child labor.

You may visit CBP's website for a list of all Withhold Release Orders or Findings.

<https://www.cbp.gov/trade/trade-community/programs-outreach/convict-importations>

How You Can Help?

CBP regulations state that *any* person who has reason to believe that merchandise produced by forced labor is being, or is likely to be, imported into the United States may communicate his belief to any Port Director or the Commissioner of CBP (19 C.F.R. § 12.42). This may be accomplished by submitting detailed information to CBP which satisfies the requirements of 19 C.F.R. § 12.42(b).

Who Do You Contact?

Media Inquiries

If you are a member of the media, please contact the Office of Public Affairs at cbpmidiarelations@cbp.dhs.gov.

Forced Labor Information or Allegations

If you wish to meet with CBP to discuss CBP enforcement of the forced labor statute or to report allegations of forced labor violations, please contact the Office of Trade at trade.enforcement@cbp.dhs.gov or you may send information to:

U.S. Customs and Border Protection
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20229

Trade Fraud Allegations

Other trade fraud violations may be reported via the e-Allegations Online Trade Violation Reporting System at <https://apps.cbp.gov/eallegations>. Allegations may be reported anonymously.

The more detailed and timely the information you provide, the more likely the enforcement action is to be successful.