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**To the customers of Würth Industrie
Service GmbH & Co. KG**

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Dodd-Frank Section 1502

Dear Sir or Madam

Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act is designed to prevent the use of "conflict minerals" to fund rebels in the eastern Democratic Republic of Congo.

Relevant raw materials include tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold from the Great Lakes region of East Africa, which, in addition to the Democratic Republic of Congo, includes Burundi, Rwanda and Uganda.

The alloying elements concerned, tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold, are not named in the relevant standards for fasteners such as ISO 898-1 ff. and ISO 3506-1 ff. and are therefore not functionally relevant. The same applies to corrosion protection coatings such as electro galvanizing according to ISO 4042, zinc flake coatings according to ISO 10683 and hot-dip galvanizing according to ISO 10648.

Würth Industrie Service supplies its customers with fasteners made of steel, stainless steel and non-ferrous metals such as copper, brass, aluminum, etc. The manufacturers and we as a trading company buy on the world market, but not in the Democratic Republic of Congo and the surrounding states.

We strive to be as sustainable and transparent as possible with our products and their ingredients, and as far as we know, our products do not contain any alloy ingredients from the region mentioned.

With kind regards

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