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Sent: Monday, November 09, 2009 5:22 PM

To: - ILAB

Cc: Silvio José Albuquerque e Silva;

Subject: RE: information on child labor in Brazil

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let me give you just one more piece of information, which you may find useful for the review of public comments. Brazil's Applied Economic Research Institute (IPEA), an independent government agency which is authoritative on statistics, is to publish in the coming days a report that shows that the number of working-children fell from 13% of all children in Brazil in 1992 to 5% in 2008. That means that an additional 3 million children aged 5 to 14 years old were kept away from the labor market during this period. According to ILO data, the number of working children has been falling twice as fast as the world's average. If the current trend is kept, labor of children aged 5 to 9 years old will have been eradicated in 2011.

Best regards, alexandre ghisleni

From - ILAB

Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 09:37

To: Alexandre Peña Ghisleni

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Subject: RE: information on child labor in Brazil

Dear Mr. Ghisleni,

Thank you for providing us with this updated information. We will certainly take this into account as we continue in this period of open comments on the Initial determination on Executive Order 13126.

Many thanks and best regards,

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in addition to our September 29 meeting on the Executive Order 13126, I would like to provide you with some updated information concerning the situation of child labor in Brazil. The 2008 National Research of Households (PNAD, in Portuguese) will soon be out, but we have obtained some advance data. Charcoal production is included in its category of silviculture, along with other economic activities. The National Research has found that 12,595 children under 15 years old currently work in silviculture. We do not have disaggregated data on charcoal production. But we do know that only a fraction of these 12,595 children work in the charcoal production and, of course, only a fraction of them are also victims of indentured or forced labor. If we take into account that the total Brazilian population is about 190 million people, we may come to the conclusion that, although even one case of child labor is always one too many, forced or indentured child labor in Brazil's charcoal production is a problem of limited proportions. I hope this piece of information can be considered during your review of public comments prior to the final determination on the EO 13126 list of products. Best regards, alexandre ghisleni

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