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II.V. Planning – identification of the duty holders

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II. Verification of compliance - context and implementation

II.V. Planning –identification of the duty holders (ref. EUTR Article 10 and EUTR Article 8 (4))

In view of the great number of operators placing timber/timber products on the market, the EUTR underlines the need of effective planning. Before establishing a check plan, the Competent authorities need to estimate, how many operators placing domestic and/or imported timber/products on the market and know, how many monitoring organisations are active in their country.

Estimation of the number of operators
 1 In your estimate of the total number of operators, does the Competent authority differentiate between operators placing domestic and imported timber on the market? Yes No
2 Please provide an estimate of the number of operators who have been placing domestic timber/timber products on the market over the reporting period: Operators within the meaning of the EUTR are natural or legal persons that place timber or timber products on the internal market in the course of a commercial activity for the first time (Article 2 of the EUTR). For timber harvested in the internal market, an entity becomes an operator when it harvests the timber for distribution or use through its own business. (Guidanc e document for the EU Timber Regulation of 12 February 2016, pp. 3 and 18f.). Data on forest owners and entities, which have acquired the right to harvest standing trees, and which actually harvested timber for their own commercial purposes in a given year may not be readily available in all Member States. It is therefore acceptable to use available data, e.g. on forest owners or timber harvesting companies as a proxy. However, these data should not be 'corrected' ex ante by excluding from the number of potential operators some that are unlikely to be commercially active, e.g., natural persons.
3 Specify the basis of the estimated number of operators placing domestic timber/timber products on the market: Number of registered forest owners Number of registered logging companies Number of domestic operators in a register established to implement the EUTR Number of all operators in a register established to implement the EUTR (no differentiation) other
5 Please provide an estimate of the number of operators placing imported timber/timber products on the market over

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Operators within the meaning of the EUTR are natural or legal persons that place timber or timber products on the internal market in the course of a commercial activity for the first time (Article 2 of the EUTR). For timber harvested outside the EU, an entity becomes an operator when it imports timber or timber products into the EU. (<u>Guidance document for the EU Timber Regulation of 12 February 2016</u>, p. 3). Data on importers importing in the course of commercial activity may not be readily available in all Member States. For the purposes of reporting and to ensure comparability, where the exact number of importing operators cannot be established, please base your estimation on the total number of importers of

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6 Spe	ecify the basis of the estimated number of operators placing imported timber/timber products on the market:
o pp	Number of importers of timber or timber products covered by the EUTR according to customs data
	Number of importing operators in a register established to implement the EUTR
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