

Presentation to Pre-JMRC



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INTRODUCTION

- ❖ Introduction to Presenters
- ❖ Background to the Associations
 - Forest Products Association
 - Guyana Manufacturers & Services Association

Observations from FLEGT VPA Projects

- ❖ Increased awareness and acceptance of the VPA
- ❖ Need for continuous sensitisation of VPA
- ❖ What is required of the FSOs
- ❖ Concerns about transparency
- ❖ Market Availability and Access
- ❖ EU Regulation on deforestation free products



Transparency

- ❖ Complaints Mechanism
- ❖ Effective and efficient System
- ❖ Timelines

Market Availability & Access

- ❖ Different Certifying bodies and acceptability on different markets
- ❖ Information on available markets and how to access

EU Regulation on deforestation free products

- ❖ Benchmarks to be used for categorising
- ❖ Implication for Guyana
- ❖ How can Guyana avoid falling into a high risk category



Conclusion

- ❖ Concerns would be taken on board
- ❖ Continued support from the Associations
- ❖ FSO will develop trust in the process and buy-in