

# Modern Slavery Statement



# Introduction

Securitas Australia (PSGA Pty Ltd) is pleased to provide its Modern Slavery Statement (MSS) for the 2024 calendar year for filing on the *Online Register for Modern Slavery Statements*.

This MSS relates to the reporting period from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024. The MSS addresses the mandatory criteria required by section 16 of the Modern Slavery Act 2018 (Cth) (MS Act). Securitas Australia is committed to the identification and eradication of modern slavery practices and any related abuses within and throughout its business and supply chains. Over the past 12 months, it has become more clear that with the evolving nature of modern business, identification of modern slavery can be more difficult, particularly so as it is often hidden deep in global supply chains which are more complex and faster moving than ever before. Securitas Australia acknowledges the risk of modern slavery practices occurring within both its own business and its supply chain and seeks to achieve industry best practice to identify and eradicate.

This MSS outlines the steps taken to identify and prevent modern slavery within our operations and supply chain. It also outlines our actions to assess and address modern slavery risks and the effectiveness of those actions.

# **Securitas Australia structure and operations**

Securitas Australia is a provider of integrated security solutions combining human intelligence and technology, tailored to the individual security needs and risks of our customers in Australia. Securitas Australia provides security services and related services, such as onsite and mobile guarding, monitoring and electronic installations. The three core guiding values of the global Securitas group of companies are integrity, vigilance and helpfulness.

The reporting entity is PSGA PTY LTD trading as Securitas Australia (ABN 92 67 106 191 039). Its head office is in Preston, Melbourne, with offices nationally across Australia.

Securitas Australia is wholly owned by Securitas Asia Holdings AB., a Swedish incorporated company. This entity operates in over 44 countries. This company is itself wholly owned by the ultimate parent company Securitas Sverige AB, a Swedish incorporated company, with its headquarters in Stockholm.

Securitas Australia has a number of wholly owned Australian subsidiary companies. This MSS applies to and considers all subsidiary companies (Securitas Group).

The Securitas Group's supply chain provides for the procurement and purchase of various technology equipment and other items (including uniforms and vehicles) from Australia and overseas. At times supply chain is controlled the Australian entities, at other times, procuring is sourced via our global partners.

# 2024 Analysis

Securitas' purpose is: "We help make your world a safer place." Our purpose reminds all employees that they are contributing to something of great importance and that the purpose is the reason the company exists. Our purpose is not just a statement; it's a driving force that permeates every aspect of the company's operations. It underlines the importance of security and safety in today's world while providing a strong foundation for strategy, culture, and value creation. Our value creation and positive impact on society is strongly connected to our purpose and is evident in our Net Impact rating of 70 percent, which ranks us in the top five percent across the global universe of ranked companies.

Securitas is a responsible company with a high level of integrity, and we never compromise on our values and business ethics. We have a strong culture of integrity and zero tolerance of non-compliance with values and ethics. Policies such as Securitas' Values and Ethics Code, the Securitas anti-bribery and anti-corruption policy, the Securitas' fair competition and anti-trust policy and the Business partner code of conduct set out the principles and also provide guidance. Our business ethics compliance function is a Group function responsible for anti-bribery and anti-corruption, competition and anti-trust, and data privacy risks, as well as the Group's whistle-blower system and supply chain risk management

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framework. Our compliance program is continuously evolving and is regularly evaluated to ensure that all major risks are addressed. Our Group function conducts quarterly reviews to assess the status of the compliance program in our markets, monitor the progress of action plans, and evaluate the effectiveness of the controls in place. Our Group function supports the business by building awareness, addressing identified gaps, and helping our employees understand how we can make our world a safer place

The issues that we have defined as material are vital to our ability to contribute to safer societies, and we consider social conditions to be included such analysis. Our process for identifying materiality provides a future focus for our sustainability work and helps us analyse our impact across the value chain. It provides us with deeper insights into stakeholders' expectations on Securitas, how we should develop our sustainability agenda and how our stakeholders perceive the outcome of our progress and strategy.

Securitas is the first global security solutions company to be validated by the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi). Globally, the business has undertaken a comprehensive approach, engaging our entire value chain, including clients and suppliers, in a collective effort to address climate change. Further information is available in the Annual and Sustainability Report, available on the Securitas website. Further, we place a strong emphasis on ethics, integrity and compliance. We want to be a good corporate citizen, and a strong and trusted partner to our shareholders, clients, employees and other stakeholders. Securitas' Values and Ethics Code is one of our key corporate policies and a guide to how we are expected to act, individually and collectively, in our daily work.

Our system for managing our work related to environmental, social and governance areas comprises six key components:

- 1. Securitas' Values and Ethics Code: One of the company's most important policies, Securitas' Values and Ethics Code stipulates the basic principles that Securitas expects its employees and business partners to follow at all times.
- 2. Employee training: All Securitas employees undergo training in Securitas' Values and Ethics Code. An in-depth training program, either as an e-learning course or a classroom training. Relevant employees also receive training in other core policies, such as the anti-corruption policy. Further, as part of ongoing system improvements, employees will now be required to undertake mandatory training on modern slavery. Such training covers a theoretical understanding of modern slavery, and how to identify and report risks.
- 3. System for reporting non-compliance: The Securitas Integrity Line is a Group system used for reporting cases of non-compliance with Securitas' Values and Ethics Code. All employees and business partners are encouraged and expected to report any cases of non-compliance, with the assurance that the reporter will not be subjected to any negative consequences. The Integrity Line is managed in the first instance outside of Australia, with local management by Securitas' Head of Legal for Australia.
- 4. Risk management: Non-compliance with Securitas' Values and Ethics Code is considered a risk, and as such, it has been classified as one of seven priority risks in the Group's enterprise risk management process. These risks are followed up on a regular basis.
- 5. Monitoring: To meet the demands of clients and other stakeholders with respect to increased transparency and communication, Securitas AB publishes a sustainability report that follows the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) standards.
- 6. Group Sustainability Officer: The Group Sustainability Officer leads the Group's ongoing sustainability work and, in addition to following the regular reporting line, also reports to the Board of Directors' Audit Committee.

  Responsibilities include coordination of sustainability activities across the Group, which involves working closely together with other core functions. Other responsibilities include stakeholder engagement on sustainability issues, and supporting the Group's countries of operation with respect to sustainability matters.

Insofar as Securitas has made improvements in its commitment to reduce any modern slavery risk, the following major changes have occurred in the reporting period:

- Introduction of an online training module to further educate its workforce on modern slavery, how to identify and mitigate risks.
- Employment of a full time procurement officer to lead the procurement function with a focus on supply chain management and ongoing contractual and statutory compliance.
- Ongoing vigilance and management of Supplier Risk Management process, including mandatory modern slavery questionaries on onboarding and annually.



In addition to the above, Securitas has rationalised its supply chain to further manage modern slavery risk.

# **Supply chain**

We must ensure that our suppliers live up to our requirements and that they comply with Securitas' Business Partner Code of Conduct and our anti-corruption policy. The SRM process places adds additional internal controls to strengthen corporate decision making responsibility and commitment to eliminating modern slavery in the supply chain. Suppliers of certain goods or services are defined as critical suppliers. Generally, critical suppliers are those whose failure to perform could materially impact Securitas' performance or brand, locally or globally. Examples are suppliers that deliver goods, equipment, materials or services that materially influence the quality of Securitas' service delivery, such as suppliers of uniforms and electronic security equipment, sub-contractors who deliver security services to Securitas' clients and suppliers using the Securitas brand.

Selection of suppliers, new and ongoing will be made using the assessment tools as stipulated above to evaluate whether the supplier has established a selection procedure, and conducted risk assessments of its own suppliers.

#### **Human Rights and Policies**

Securitas as part of a global company, works in many different markets around the world and in all of them we prioritize fair wages and working conditions. Securitas' Values and Ethics Code together with other key policies ensure that the company maintains and promotes the highest ethical business standards, and we also use our influence as one of the largest global players in the industry in discussions with clients, unions and industry associations.

Securitas has launched, and training has been provided throughout Australia to employees to be aware of the following:

- **Integrity line**: The integrity line provides a confidential process for employees and stakeholders (internal and external) to confidential report concerns, including those relating to supply chain and modern slavery. All concerns are managed externally to the country and in confidence. Such reporting channels may be used for reporting of non-compliance with human rights and modern slavery risk.
- Whistleblower Policy: Sets a framework for reporting and managing reports or complaints of misconduct raised by employees or third parties against a Securitas employee (or any other matter), director or officer for complaints and violations of laws, regulations and company policy (including a breach of the Code) without fears of retaliation
- Work Health and Safety Policy: All workers and other stakeholders have a right to a safe work environment, and everyone has a responsibility to take reasonable care for their own health and safety, act in a manner that does not put others at risk and actively contribute to identifying, reporting and reducing workplace WHS hazards.
- Equal Opportunity Policy: All employment decisions are to be made solely on the basis of a person's ability, experience, behaviour, work performance and demonstrated potential in relation to the needs of the job. Discrimination in hiring, compensation, training, promotion, termination or retirement based on ethnic and national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, marital or parental status, disability or other distinguishing characteristics protected by applicable law is never acceptable.
- **Modern Slavery training:** Am online training module designed to provide a general understanding of modern slavery. The module details compliance and reporting obligations required under the MS Act.

# **Mandatory Reporting Criteria under the MS Act**

<u>The risks of modern slavery practices in the operations and supply chains of the reporting entity and any entities</u> Securitas Australia owns or controls

### **Securitas Group's Operations**

• Securitas Group has a low risk profile within its own operations, where employees are recruited and inducted through a fair and transparent recruitment process, with checks for Australian visa status with work rights, and ensuring compliance with employment and safety legislation from the time they commence employment.

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- Prior to the passage of the MS Act, Securitas Australia had already established a range of corporate policies to promote and uphold the highest standards of employee welfare and corporate governance.
- Securitas recruits and operates within the Australian Standard for workforce screen AS4811:2022.

#### Securitas Group's Supply Chain

- Our Global Securitas Values and Ethics Code and Business Partner Code of Conduct was established in 2004. It
  provides the foundation for the conduct of business in relation to modern slavery and related ethical and legal
  risks. Securitas requires its suppliers to comply with Securitas' Business Partner Code of Conduct, which
  includes non-acceptance of child labour and forced labour.
- This policy applies to all suppliers, sub-contractors and business partners, setting out requirements for the conduct of their own businesses, including the treatment of their respective workers and suppliers. The policy has a mechanism to report any non-compliance to Securitas Australia.
- The controls Securitas Australia has in place allows it to identify and prioritise its focus on risk suppliers.
   Purchases made in Australia from large well-known suppliers with sophisticated modern slavery policies already in place are deemed a low priority.

#### Specific risk of modern slavery in the Securitas Group operations

- Securitas Australia by the very nature of its business relies on multiple lines of products and services from third party vendors. These include, but are not limited to;
  - Security equipment including capital infrastructure and ancillary materials required for installations, such as cabling.
  - Construction Industries forced labour, at risk of physical abuse, employers withholding wages or paying lower rates, foreign workers passports being confiscated by employers, unsafe working conditions.
  - Uniforms for employees, and other tools of trade such as vehicles.
  - Labour hire.

As detailed in other parts of this MSS, Securitas Australia has an international supply chain, with its scope of supply diverse by way of product and geographical location. This by its very nature may create a modern slavery risk in the supply chain of products required to do business and cause or contribute / be linked to modern slavery. Whilst Securitas Australia sources its equipment/uniforms etc from local and overseas suppliers, it accepts the fact that these items are potentially manufactured internationally and with items such as clothing there is a perceived modern slavery risk. However, Securitas has refused to work with suppliers who fail to sign the required Values and Ethics Code and Business Partner Code of Conduct. In addition, such uniforms and other suppliers are large established business who by their nature and scope of work, would participate in programs for the global reduction of slavery risk and dealing with business who have unethical practices.

Securitas maintains a trade sanctions list that contains prohibited jurisdictions ("Red Countries", each individually a "Red Country"), with which trade, as a main rule, is prohibited. Trade with a Red Country requires careful consideration and extensive business partner knowledge. Under no circumstances should a Securitas entity engage in operations or transactions directly or indirectly involving a Red Country without first obtaining written approval from the Group CEO and the Group General Counsel.

The actions taken by the reporting entity and any entities it owns or controls to assess and address these risks, including due diligence and remediation processes

# Measures taken within the Securitas Group

Securitas Australia has implemented the following actions to minimise the risks of modern slavery in its business and supply chain:

- Update and enhanced SRM tool and greater emphasis on trade sanctions processes;
- Ongoing compliance and training of Modern Slavery within the business;
- Reliance on greater global buying from the Securitas Group, which comes with greater vetting;
- Induction and training for new and current employees on the operation of the MS Policy;
- Ongoing review of our labour practices, including:
  - engagement of contract labour only through ethical (and where applicable, registered) labour hire providers;
  - provision of direct, permanent employment wherever possible;

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- - provision of a safe and non-discriminatory workplace;
  - ensuring that employees are lawfully able to work under Australian law
  - greater ongoing compliance of labour supply chain as with sub-contractors.
  - Provision of the MS Policy to all current and new suppliers;
  - Establishment of an internal team with legal, operational, human resources and procurement skills to ensure the MS Policy is upheld; and
  - Greater awareness and training on the Securitas Integrity line.

At the recruitment stage, Securitas Australia ensures each candidate for employment has a right to work in Australia and is engaged in accordance with the requirements of the Fair Work Act 2009 and all applicable safety legislation.

# Securitas Australia's measures taken with suppliers

In order to identify modern slavery risks in its supply chain for medium to high risk suppliers, Securitas Australia requires information from its suppliers, sub-contractors and business partners on:

- general information about business operations;
- any external certification information;
- labour practices;
- Work Health and Safety Practices;
- supply chain;
- grievance & redress mechanisms;
- response to any allegations and incidents; and
- potential remedy.

Securitas Australia requires this information to ensure compliance with:

- Supplier Code of Conduct; and
- MS Policy.

In addition to the above, suppliers and clients are subject to global sanction checks and compliance with the SRM process. This now includes checks by third party agencies such as Creditor Watch, which enables Securitas to make a holistic informed decision prior to doing business with a third party.

### How the reporting entity assesses the effectiveness of these actions

# **Securitas Australia employment practices**

- Securitas Australia has implemented a suite of policies covering all aspects of the employment relationship, including equal employment opportunity, work health and safety, whistleblowing to ensure all employees are treated fairly and lawfully.
- Securitas Australia does not recruit individual security personnel such as sub-contractors or sole traders. Security professional are engaged only as an employee, with a written contract setting out standard terms and conditions and paid in accordance with minimum pay rates.

## **Labour Hire Providers / Suppliers**

- Securitas Australia only engages labour hire firms licensed to operate in the relevant State and Territory under applicable labour hire licensing schemes.
- In respect of any risks within the supply chain, Securitas Australia seeks to consult with any supplier as set out above in accordance with its long-established Global Securitas Values and Ethics Code and Business Partner Code of Conduct.
- Securitas Australia is committed to consulting with a view to having suppliers comply with the MS Act, and being able and willing to satisfy Securitas Australia that any supplier does indeed comply.
- However, if Securitas Australia cannot secure a supplier's co-operation, then Securitas Australia will review whether it can continue to do business with a non-compliant supplier.

In additional, employment practices are in line with the Australian Standard.

# **Risk Assessment**

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Whilst a risk of modern slavery may always be present, particularly in the supply chains that Securitas Australia utilises, on account of risk mitigation strategies in place, the deemed risk of modern slavery occurring within Securitas Australia's operations is low. This risk is determined by the processes and ethics of the global business in deciding who we do business with, the employment practices of Securitas Australia and controls in place by way of polices and procedures, and transparent business relations.

Future planed work to mitigate modern slavery includes mapping the new and emerging supply chains and analysing such chains for modern slavery risk, this will be guided by information gleaned from modern slavery assessment questionnaires.

#### The process of consultation with any entities the reporting entity owns or controls

- Based on the systems already in place within Securitas Australia, Securitas Australia has addressed any apparent or actual risk of modern slavery in its own business by applying the same standards across the Securitas Australia Group.
- This relates to the application of the same human resources policies, and application of the same practices with regard to recruitment that apply to Securitas Australia itself.
- As with suppliers, consultation is the key to engaging with any subsidiary companies within the Securitas

# **Commitment from the Country Leadership Team**

This Statement has been endorsed by Securitas Australia's Country Leadership Team. This team oversees the national operation, including risks such as modern slavery. As detailed throughout this MSS, corporate policies and employment practices, including training requirements, highlight the values and ethics of Securitas Australia, which are aligned to mitigating and preventing modern slavery.

# **Conclusion**

This Modern Slavery Statement was approved by the principal governing body of Securitas Australia, the Country Leadership Team, on 12 June 2025.

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