# Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement (financial year 2024)

#### October 2024

#### Introduction:

This statement is made pursuant to section 54(1) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and outlines the steps we have taken at Framestore and intend to take going forward to review and assess our supply chains and operations and mitigate any risk of human trafficking or slavery. We are committed to conducting our business ethically and responsibly.

#### Framestore as an organisation:

Founded in 1986, Framestore is an Oscar-winning creative studio that combines artistry and technology to create high-end images for every platform. We work across the film, episodic, advertising, and immersive sectors and partner with clients ranging from Hollywood studios to brands, agencies and production companies.

## **Organisational Structure:**

Across Framestore we have approx. **3,170** employees based in the UK, USA, Canada, Australia, and India.

The organisation currently operates in the following cities:

- London, UK
- New York, USA
- Los Angeles, USA
- Chicago, USA
- Montreal, Canada
- Mumbai, India
- Melbourne, Australia

## Our Approach:

Framestore takes a zero-tolerance approach to slavery and human trafficking. We do not tolerate slavery or human trafficking in our organisation or in our supply chain.

We will never knowingly deal with any organisation which is connected to slavery or human trafficking. Given the nature of the services we provide, we consider that we are at low risk of exposure to slavery and human trafficking. We are not aware of any areas of our operations and supply chain likely to lead to a breach of the Modern Slavery Act 2015. It is

Framestore's policy to conduct all of its business in an honest, transparent and ethical manner.

Our clients agree in our client agreements to adhere to all relevant UK legislation including the Modern Slavery Act.

We tend where possible to build long term relationships with our key suppliers in all locations. We expect our suppliers to act at all times in adherence to the principles of this statement and the Modern Slavery Act.

#### **Our Policies:**

Framestore operates a number of policies to ensure that we are conducting business in an ethical and transparent manner. These include:

- Ethical Complaints and Whistleblowing policy The company encourages all its employees, customers and other business partners to report any concerns related to the direct activities, or the supply chains of, the organisation. This includes any circumstances that may give rise to an enhanced risk of slavery or human trafficking. The whistleblowing procedure is designed to make it easy for employees to make disclosures, without fear of retaliation. Employees, customers, or others who have concerns can contact Anne Murphy, Global Human Resources Director anonymously if preferred to raise a concern.
- Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy Framestore is committed to conducting all
  of its business activities in an honest and ethical manner. Framestore takes a
  zero-tolerance approach to bribery and corruption and are committed to acting
  professionally, fairly, honestly and with integrity in all our business dealings and
  relationships and in implementing and enforcing effective systems to counter
  bribery wherever we operate.
- **Grievance Policy and Procedure** The company provides clear, consistent, and fair approach to any internal complaints or grievances raised by employees.
- Fair Treatment at Work Policy Framestore employees receive no less than the
  prescribed minimum wage and we apply robust immigration checks and expect
  the same standards from all our customers and suppliers.

## **Awareness Raising:**

The company has drawn the attention of employees who work with third party suppliers to a number of online guidance relating to modern slavery and human trafficking activities in the UK, including at www.globalslaveryindex.org.

Employees are also aware of where they can obtain external help for example through the Modern Slavery Helpline www.modernslaveryhelpline.org or Ph. 08000 121 700

Information is shared with the company via our internal HR system.

# For the next financial year:

We will continue to enhance our processes and procedures to ensure we are preventing and mitigating any risks of modern slavery in our existing and new suppliers.

This statement is made pursuant to section 54(1) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and constitutes our slavery and human trafficking statement for the financial year ending 31 December 2024.

This statement was approved by Senior Management on 17 October 2024 for and on behalf of Framestore Limited.

## Signed

Mel Sullivan

**Chief Executive Officer** 

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