A few weeks ago, COVID 19 reached Ucayali, and it has now become one of the most infected regions in the country. Fortunately, so far none of our team members has experienced life-threatening symptoms in our plantations or mill. Since the beginning of the quarantine, we have been continually updating our procedures and protocols to comply with the latest standards issued by the Peruvian authorities. These efforts have helped protect our workers during this evolving pandemic.

Last weekend we were audited by government inspectors who reviewed our procedures to ensure that we are complying with all applicable requirements. The inspection went well and was an opportunity for us to demonstrate our commitment to full compliance.

We know that due to the situation, it has been impossible for many companies, large and small to continue operate and pay their workers, suppliers and contractors during this crisis. We are fortunate to have been able to do this for our employees so that they can continue providing their families.

Even though we have continued to operate during the state of emergency in Peru, many things about life on our plantations have changed. Our daily routines now include:

• Body temperature controls
• Handwashing
• Use of masks
• Health training
• New types of personal protective equipment
• Social distancing
• Video meetings
• Disinfection routines
• More hand washes
• Expansion of our health centers
• Construction of disinfection stations for vehicles and people at our main entrances
• And we provide hygiene kits every week to our employees

We are proud of the courage and commitment of our Peruvian authorities who have taken firm and proactive decisions to protect us. We will continue to work to ensure the safety of our teams. And we thank the countless health workers who continue to give their all as they care for the sick.