

## Declaration of legal and financial independence for providers of anti-tampering devices

**Subject: Declaration confirming legal and financial independence of providers of anti-tampering devices, in accordance with Articles 7(2) and 35 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/574 of 15 December 2017 on technical standards for the establishment and operation of a traceability system for tobacco products**

The company is a:

- proposed provider of anti-tampering devices;
- sub-contractor of a proposed provider of anti-tampering devices.

I, the undersigned [*insert name and surname*], being [*insert name of position held*] of [*insert company name*], (hereafter "the company"), located at [*insert full address*] and with the VAT identification number [*insert VAT number*], acting as a legal representative of the aforementioned company, which provides the service to [*insert company name of the manufacturer/importer*], located at [*insert full address*] and with the VAT identification number [*insert VAT number*], hereby confirm and declare that:

- the company is **independent** from the tobacco industry in terms of **legal form, organisation and decision making**, in accordance with Article 35(2)(a) of *Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/574* of 15 December 2017 on technical standards for the establishment and operation of a traceability system for tobacco products;
- the company is **independent in financial terms** from the tobacco industry, in accordance with Article 35(2)(b) of *Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/574*;
- **no conflict of interest** with the tobacco industry is present, in accordance with Article 35(2)(c) of *Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/574*.

I understand that Member States and the European Commission reserve the right to verify this declaration and I am aware of the consequences that may derive from any false declaration.

Signature of the authorised person:

Date and place: