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Hi

I am the director of Stonebutterfly Ltd. We sell replica furniture and I am writing to you about the repeal of section 52. I am very concerned about this repeal. As far as I was aware following a public consultation in April 2015 the UK Government announced that it would implement the following transitional period.

- Repeal of section 52 of the CDPA will take effect on 06 April 2020.
- Express provision has been made to ensure that following the repeal, parties that are currently trading in copies will have an indefinite period to sell off their stock, and may freely deal with copies made prior to the change of the law without this being an infringement.
- Manufacture or importation of new unlicensed copies will however be unlawful as of 06 April 2020.

As you can imagine following this information we invested a lot in stock and taken on a new warehouse along with new staff. For then to hear that the Government has now done a u turn on the issue and has announced on the 28th October that any replica items bought from factories before the 28th of October 2015 must all be sold by the 28th of October 2016. Any items bought from factories after the 28th October 2015 must be sold by the 28th April 2016. This is less than 5 months away. This is very alarming to our business as we feel this is not enough time to plan our future and sell off our remaining stock. This time frame is completely unrealistic and it could have damaging consequences. Is there a petition we can sign or any way we can be kept up to date with the outcome of this repeal. I would really appreciate a reply.

Thanks in advance

*Kind Regards*

*Jamie*

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