

TO:

WHALECO TECHNOLOGY LIMITED (TEMU)

We, the members of the Lithuanian parliament, want to express our deepest concern about the promotion and sales of items depicting symbols of Soviet totalitarian regime on temu.com website.

It is very disappointing that Whaleco Technology Limited, doing business as Temu, does not remember and does not show respect for millions of victims of Soviet totalitarian regime. Moreover, the company is profiting from the merchandise related to the victims of the Soviet Union regime. More than 300 000 Lithuanians fell victims to the regime during the Soviet occupation. Selling clothes and other items with the letters USSR and emblems of the Soviet Union from the Temu online store shows a lack of human decency.

Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and many other countries were occupied by the Soviet Union for half a century, and today Soviet symbols here are likened to Nazi ones and are banned. A similar clothes line with the letters USSR and emblems of the Soviet Union were put on sale by sports good giant Adidas ahead of the soccer World Cup in Russia, but after a public outcry was later recalled.

We hope that Temu case is an unpleasant misunderstanding and the company is not trying to profit from the victims of Soviet totalitarian regime. We strongly believe you are willing to cease the selling of the above-mentioned inappropriate merchandise.

With this letter, we send you some literature on the crimes committed by the totalitarian regime of the Soviet Union.

Sincerely,

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