PMI comment submitted on Monday, June 18th 2018 regarding U.S. farm conditions:

"In the U.S., housing requirements for farm workers are mandated by state law. For example, in North Carolina, any farm or labor contractor lawfully hiring workers under the H2-A program must meet the requirements set out by the North Carolina Department of Labor to be certified (see housing inspection checklist enclosed). Under the circumstances alleged in your inquiry, the situation may be illegal according to local law." -Miguel Coleta, Director Sustainability, Philip Morris International

(<u>ANNEX to response dated June 18th 2018</u>: North Carolina Department of Labor Housing Inspection list)

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