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# **World Consumer Protection Map**

Contribution by Bolivia

| Page 2: Contact of respondent  |   |
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| Q1   | Bolivia (Plurinational State of)              |
| Name of responding member State  |   |
| Q2   |   |
| Name of responding authority/agency:   |   |
| Viceministerio de Defensa de los Derechos de los Usuarios y Co               | onsumidores                                   |
| Page 3: Consumer protection legislation                                      |   |
| Q7   | Yes   |
| Does your country's Constitution contain a provision on consumer protection? |   |
| <b>5</b> 8   |   |
| f you do, please provide de following details:                               |   |
| Text of constitutional norm with reference to consumer protection            | Constitución Política del Estado y Ley Nº 453 |
| Q9   | Yes   |
| Does your country have have specific law(s) on consume protection ?          | r   |
|  | Date <b>04/12/2013</b>                        |
| Q10  | Date 04/12/2013                               |

#### Q11

Respondent skipped this question

If your main specific law on consumer protection has been revised, when was the date of its latest revision?

#### Q12

Please provide the following details of the current specific law(s):

1- Name of law

LEY GENERAL DE LOS DERECHOS DE LAS USUARIAS Y LOS USUARIOS Y DE LAS CONSUMIDORAS Y LOS CONSUMIDORES

#### Q13

Please check all the fields that your consumer protections law(s) cover.

Consumer rights/legitimate needs,

Access by consumers to essential goods and services,

Protection of vulnerable and disadvantaged consumers,

Product quality,

Terms and conditions,

Promotional marketing and sales practices (including misleading advertisement)

Promotion of sustainable consumption,

Food distribution,

Water,

Pharmaceuticals,

Energy,

Tourism,

Financial services,

Dispute resolution,

Redress,

Consumer education,

**Consumer information** 

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#### Q14

From your previous answer, your specific consumer protection law(s) do(es) not cover the following field(s). Please name the relevant law(s) covering this/these field(s):

Respondent skipped this question

| Q15  | Respondent skipped this question |  |
|--|----------------------------------|--|
| Please indicate the URL Link of the relevant law(s) to each field: |                                  |  |
| Page 5: Consumer protection institutions                           |                                  |  |
| Q16  |                                  |  |
| Name of Ministry responsible for consumer protection:              |                                  |  |
| Ministerio de Justicia   |                                  |  |
| Q17  | Respondent skipped this question |  |
| URL link of responsible Ministry for consumer protection:          |                                  |  |
| Q18  |                                  |  |
| Year when consumer protection was assumed by the currer            | nt responsible ministry:         |  |
| 2013   |                                  |  |
| Page 6: Consumer protection institutions                           |                                  |  |
| Q19  | Yes                              |  |
| Do you have a main consumer protection authority/agency?           |                                  |  |
| Q20  |                                  |  |
| Name of main consumer protection authority/agency:                 |                                  |  |
| Viceministerio de Defensa de los Derechos del Usuario y Consumidor |                                  |  |
| Q21  | Respondent skipped this question |  |
| URL of main consumer protection authority/agency:                  |                                  |  |
| Q22  |                                  |  |
| Year of creation:  |                                  |  |
| 2013   |                                  |  |
| Q23  | Respondent skipped this question |  |
| Annual budget: (in USD)  |                                  |  |

| Q24  |  |
|--|--|
| Total number of staff:   |  |
| 20   |  |
| 025  |  |
| Q25  |  |
| Total number of staff directly affected to consumer protection                       | 1:   |
| 20   |  |
| Q26  | Yes  |
| Do you have a law/decree that governs the main consumer protection authority/agency? |  |
| Q27  |  |
| If you do, please provide the following details:                                     |  |
| Reference of the law/decree  | Decreto Supremo N° 2130  |
| Q28  | Consumer rights/legitimate needs,  |
| Does your main consumer protection authority/agency                                  | Access by consumers to essential goods and services,                           |
| have POLICY MAKING powers over any of the following fields?                          | Protection of vulnerable and disadvantaged consumers,                          |
| Tielas?  | Product quality,   |
|  | Terms and conditions,  |
|  | Promotional marketing and sales practices (including misleading advertisement) |
|  | 1  |
|  | Financial services,  |
|  | Promotion of sustainable consumption,  |
|  | Food distribution,   |
|  | Water,   |
|  | Pharmaceuticals,   |
|  | Energy,  |
|  | Tourism,   |
|  | Dispute resolution,  |
|  | Redress,   |
|  | Consumer education,  |
|  | Consumer information   |
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# Q29

From your previous answer, your main authority/agency does not have POLICY MAKING powers over the following fields. Please name the relevant authorities/agencies with powers over these fields:

#### Respondent skipped this question

#### Q30

URL Link of the relevant authority/agency to each field:

#### Respondent skipped this question

#### Q31

Does your main consumer protection authority/agency have ENFORCEMENT powers over any of the following fields?

Consumer rights/legitimate needs,

Access by consumers to essential goods and services,

Protection of vulnerable and disadvantaged consumers,

Product quality,

Terms and conditions,

Promotional marketing and sales practices (including misleading advertisement)

,

Financial services,

Promotion of sustainable consumption,

Food distribution,

Water,

Pharmaceuticals,

Energy,

Dispute resolution,

Redress,

Consumer education,

Consumer information

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#### Q32

From your previous answer, your main consumer protection authority/agency does not have ENFORCEMENT powers over the following fields. Please name the relevant authorities/agencies with powers over these fields:

Respondent skipped this question

| Q33 URL Link of the relevant authority/agency to each field:   | Respondent skipped this question               |
|--|--|
| Q34  Regarding enforcement, how many infringement cases does your authority/agency handle on average per year?                     | Respondent skipped this question               |
| Q35  Has your authority/agency imposed sanctions and/or other measures for breaches of consumer protection law(s)?                 | Yes  |
| Q36  Maximum amount for sanction/measure allowed by consumer protection law(s): (in USD)   | Respondent skipped this question               |
| Q37  Record highest amount for any sanction/measure imposed: (in USD)  | Respondent skipped this question               |
| Q38 Please detail if necessary, what kind of sanctions and/or other Llamadas de atención y multa pecuniaria                        | er measures are available in your jurisdiction |
| Page 9: Consumer protection institutions  Q39  Are there any non-governmental consumer organizations/associations in your country? | No   |
| Q40  Do you have a law/decree that governs consumer organizations/associations?  | No   |
| Q41 In case you have a law/decree that governs consumer organizations, please provide the following details:                       | Respondent skipped this question               |

| Q42  Do consumer organizations/associations fulfil any of the following functions?                      | Respondent skipped this question |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Q43  Do consumer groups/associations receive public funding?  | Respondent skipped this question |
| Q44  Name the three largest non-governmental consumer organizations/associations in your jurisdiction:  | Respondent skipped this question |
| Page 10: Consumer protection institutions  Q45  Can consumers obtain redress through judicial channels? | Yes                              |
| Q46 Is there a specialized judicial mechanism for consumer complaints?                                  | No                               |
| Q47 If there is, please provide the following details   | Respondent skipped this question |
| Q48  Do you have collective redress/class actions for consumer complaints?                              | Yes                              |
| Q49 Who can represent consumer interests in court?  | Consumers individually, Lawyers  |
| Q50 What is the highest damages award following a collective redress/class action?                      | Respondent skipped this question |

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# Q51 Mediation/ Conciliation Regarding out-of-court/alternative consumer dispute resolution, are there any of the following? Q52 Respondent skipped this question If there are any of the above, please provide the following details: Q53 No Are there any CROSS-BORDER out-of-court/alternative consumer dispute resolution initiatives? **Q54** Respondent skipped this question If there are, please provide the following details: Page 12: Consumer protection institutions **Q55** No Are there any self-regulation initiatives from businesses? **Q56** Respondent skipped this question Please provide (up to) 4 examples of the self-regulation initiatives from businesses: **Q57** Yes Are there any co-regulation initiatives between businesses and public entities? **Q58** Respondent skipped this question Please provide (up to) 4 examples of the co-regulation initiatives between businesses and public entities: **Q59** Respondent skipped this question Do self-regulation and/or co-regulation initiatives cover any of the following issues? (Please relate to UNGCP Guideline 11)

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| Q60   | Respondent skipped this question |
|---|----------------------------------|
| What kind and how many international cooperation agreement(s) on consumer protection does your authority/agency participate in?   |                                  |
| Q61   | Respondent skipped this question |
| Please provide name and URL link of formal bilateral agreements (treaties):   |                                  |
| Q62   | Respondent skipped this question |
| Please provide name and URL link of informal bilateral agreements (memoranda of understanding):   |                                  |
| Q63   | Respondent skipped this question |
| Please provide name and URL link of formal multilateral/regionals agreements (treaties) that address consumer protection:   |                                  |
| Q64   | Respondent skipped this question |
| Please provide name and URL link of informal multilateral/regionals agreements (memoranda of understanding) that address consumer protection:   |                                  |
| Q65   | Respondent skipped this question |
| Do cooperation agreements on consumer protection (be those formal/informal/bilateral/regional) cover any of the following fields?   |                                  |
| Q66   | Respondent skipped this question |
| Does your consumer protection enforcement authority/agency have any of the following powers regarding cross-border fraudulent and deceptive commercial practices affecting consumers? |                                  |
| Q67   | Respondent skipped this question |
| Do you have any experience in cross-border cooperation on enforcement?  |                                  |
| Q68   | Respondent skipped this question |
| If you do, please provide a short description   |                                  |

# Q69 Respondent skipped this question Do you engage in technical cooperation or capacity building activities on consumer protection? Q70 Respondent skipped this question If you have engaged in technical cooperation or capacity building activities on consumer protection as a recipient/as donor and/or through an international organization/network. please provide the following details for each initiative Page 14: Consumer protection policies Q71 Yes Does your authority/agency carry out information and education initiatives? Q72 Health, nutrition, prevention of food-borne diseases and food adulteration Do information and education initiatives carried out by your authority/agency cover any of the following fields? Product hazard, Product labelling, Weight and measures, prices and quality, Environmental protection, Financial services, Efficient use of materials, energy, water, Sustainable consumption Q73 No Does your authority/agency provide specific education and information initiatives for vulnerable and disadvantaged consumers? Q74 Respondent skipped this question If your authority/agency does, please provide the following details: Q75 Respondent skipped this question

Do consumer organizations/associations provide

education and information initiatives?

# Q76 Respondent skipped this question If consumer organizations/associations do, please provide the following details: Page 15: Consumer protection policies Q77 Respondent skipped this question Does your authority/agency conduct research and analysis on consumer protection issues? **Q78** Respondent skipped this question If your authority/agency does, please provide the following details: Q79 Respondent skipped this question Do other organizations/associations conduct research and analysis on consumer protection?

Q80 Respondent skipped this question

If other organizations/associations do, please provide the following details: