

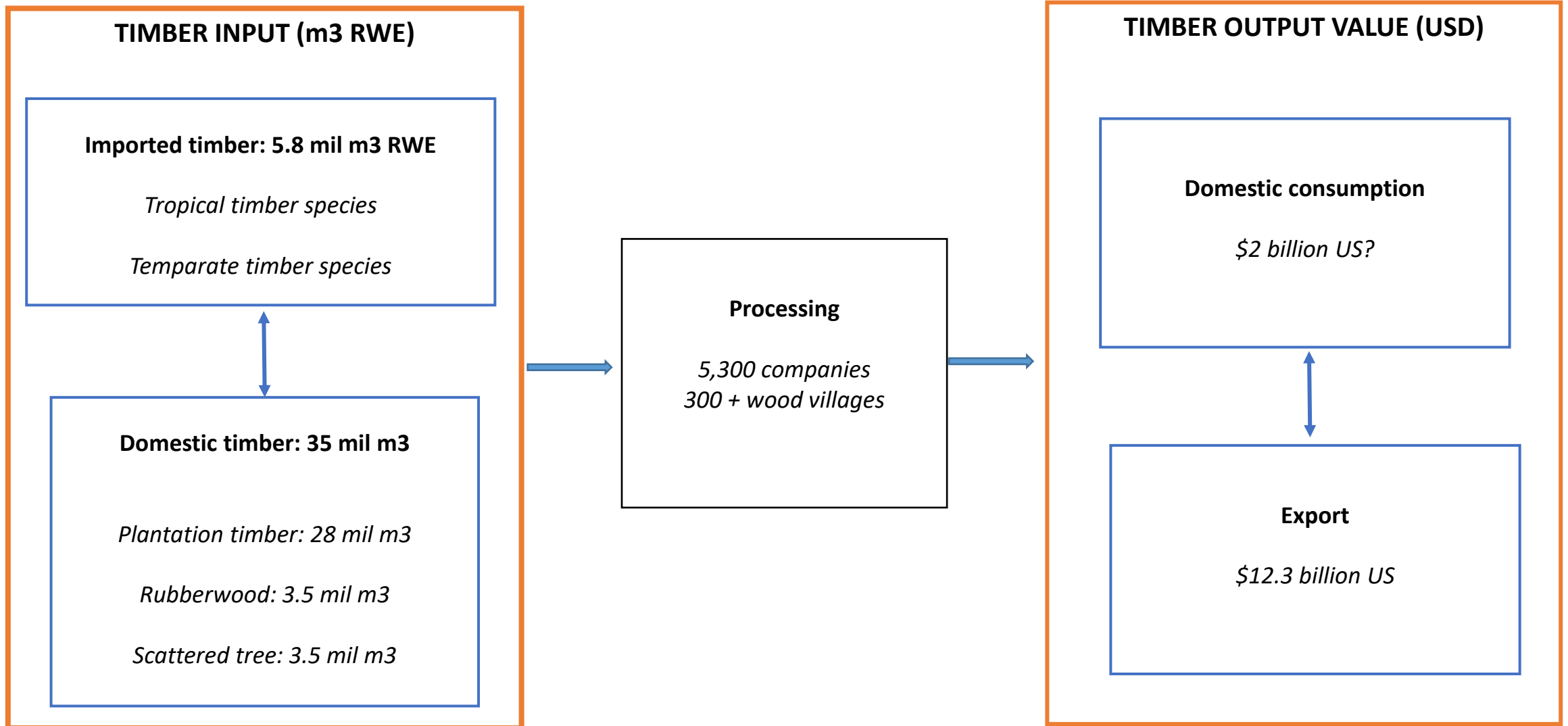


Vietnam's timber sector ***Backgrounds and policy environment***

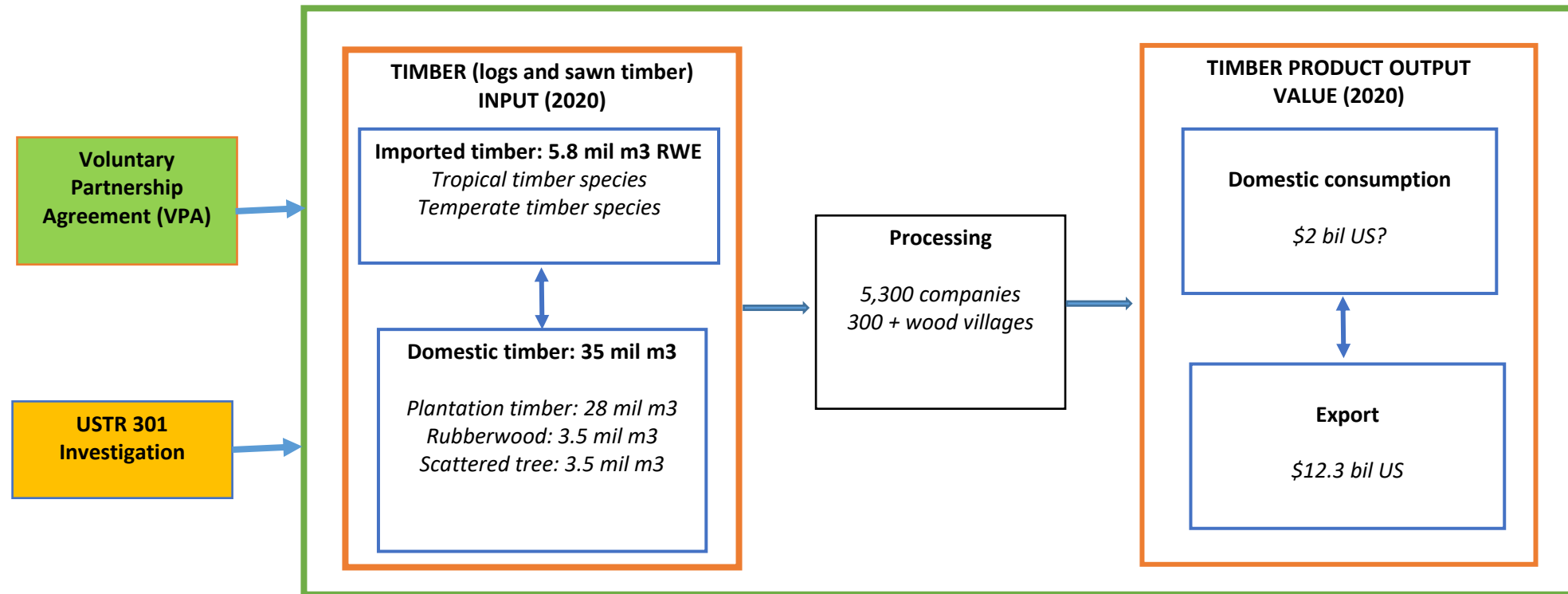
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Timber input & output in 2020



Policy environment



FLEGT Voluntary Partnership Agreement (VPA)

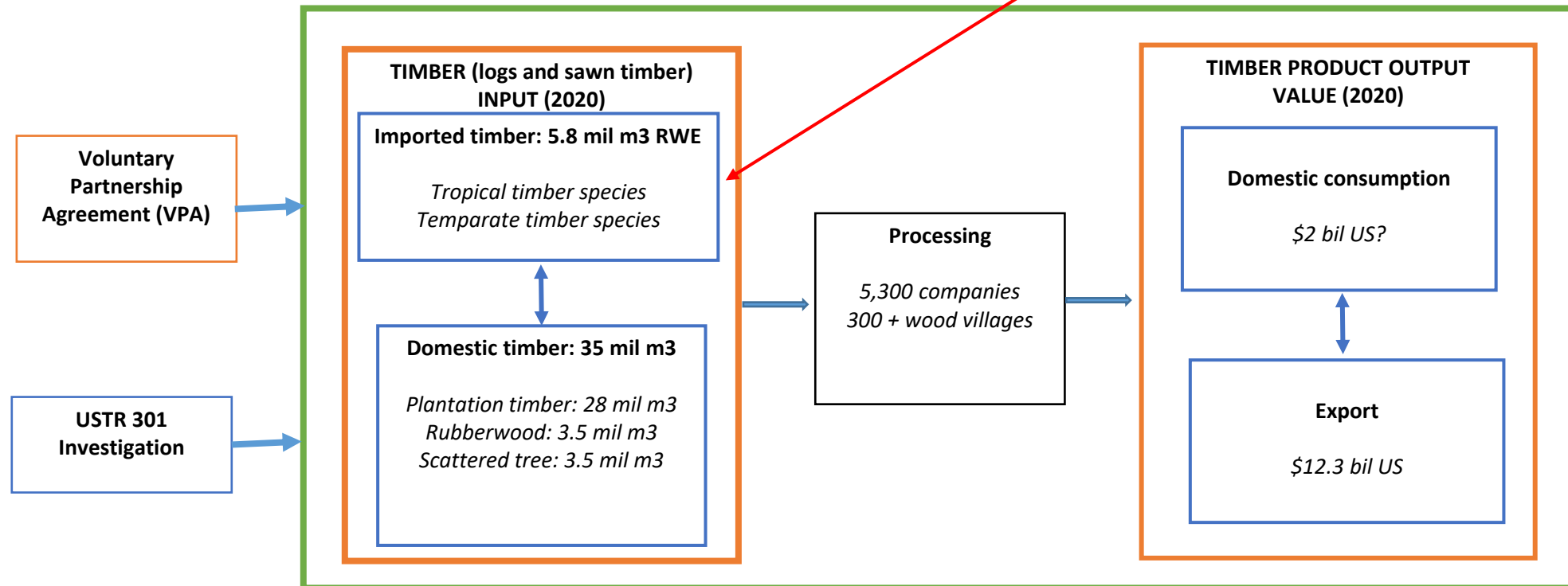
- Ensure legality of timber along supply chain. Legality requirements for export timber products are identical to those for domestic consumption
- Vietnam's domestic legislation: VNTLAS decree (Vietnam Timber Legality Assurance System) in 2020

USTR 301 Investigation: Accusations of Vietnam's import of illegal timber and circumvention, transshipment

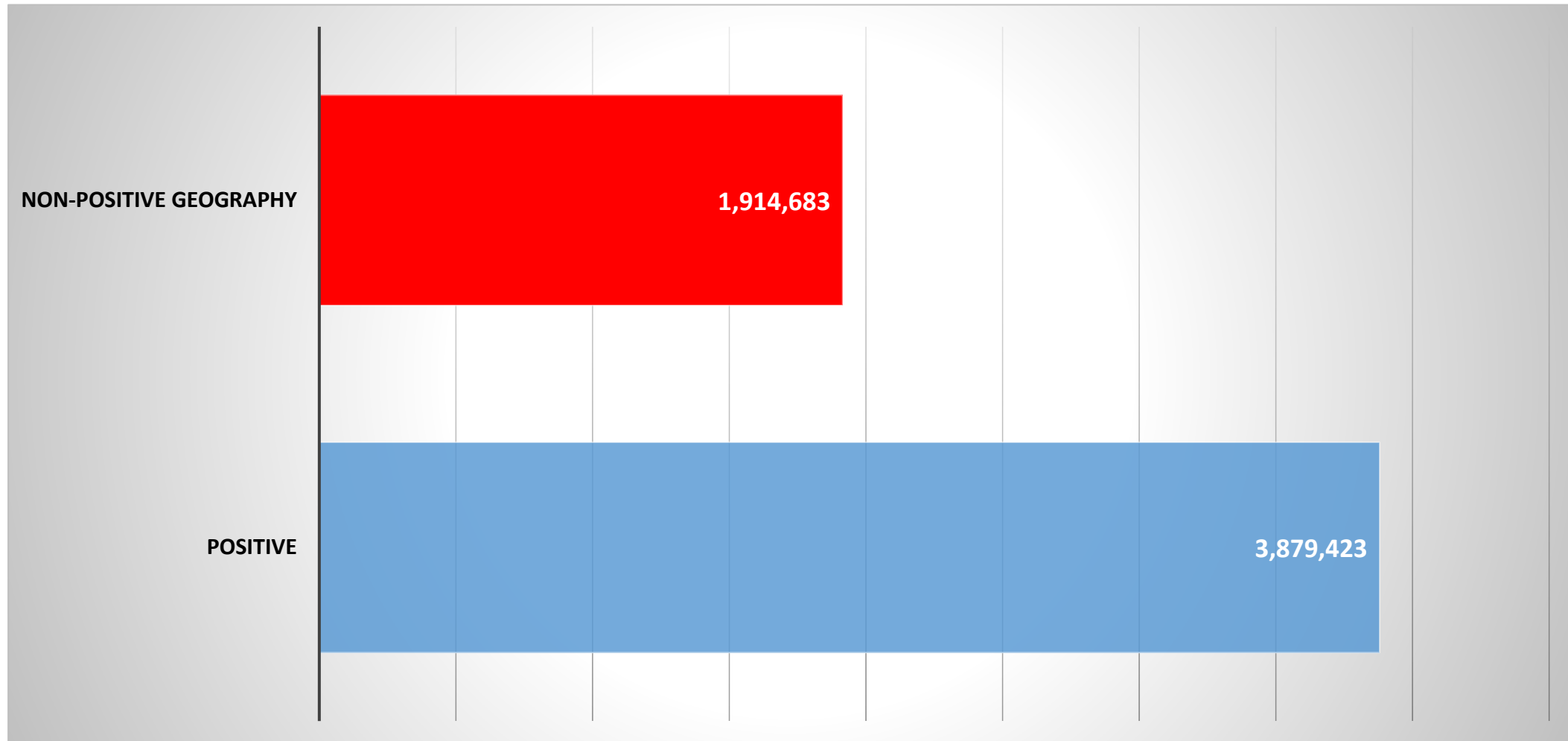
Policy environment: VPA – VNTLAS decree

VNTLAS: Controlling the legality of timber import is KEY

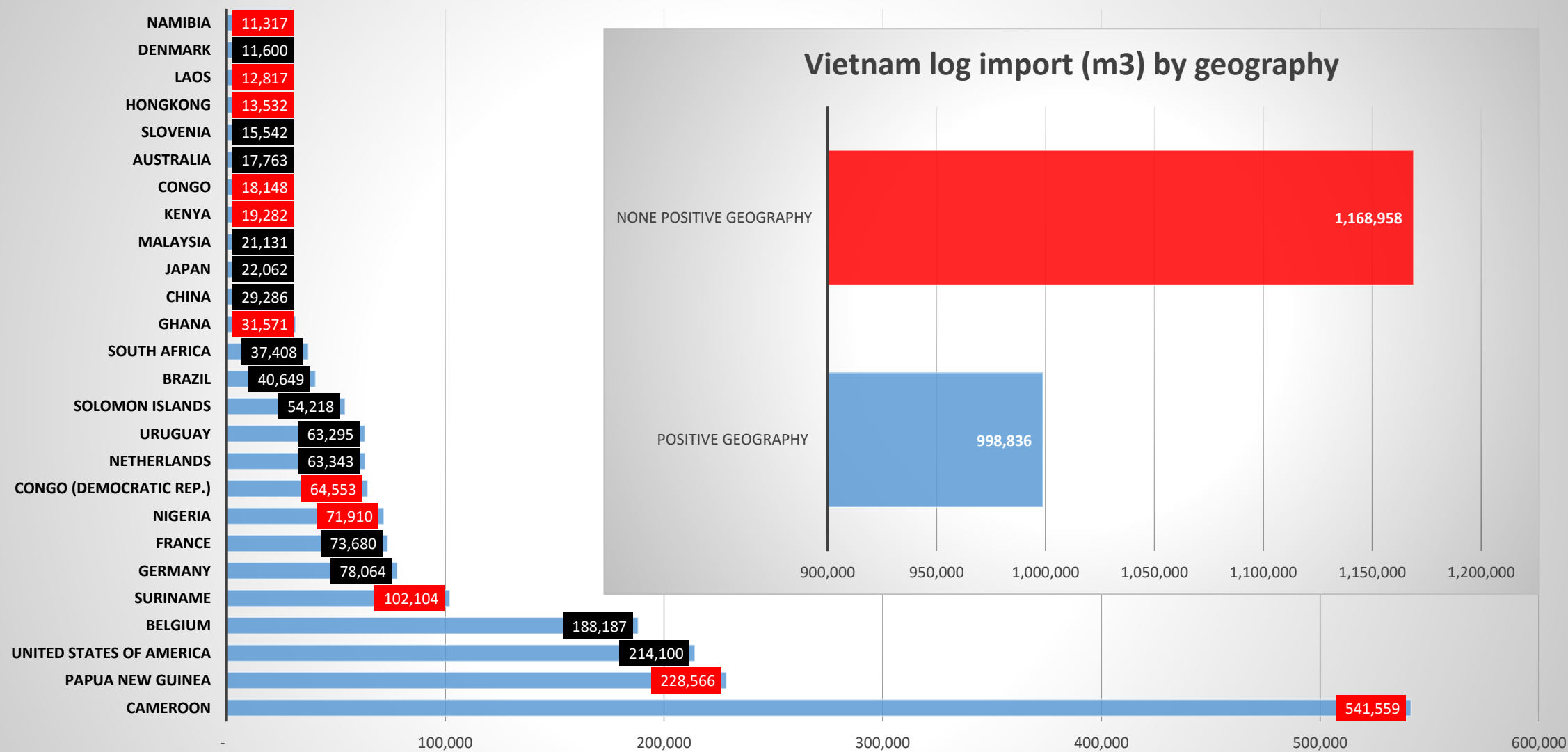
- Positive geography / non-positive geography
- High risk species (CITES species, high-value species) and species from non-positive geographies : Additional legality documents & due diligence



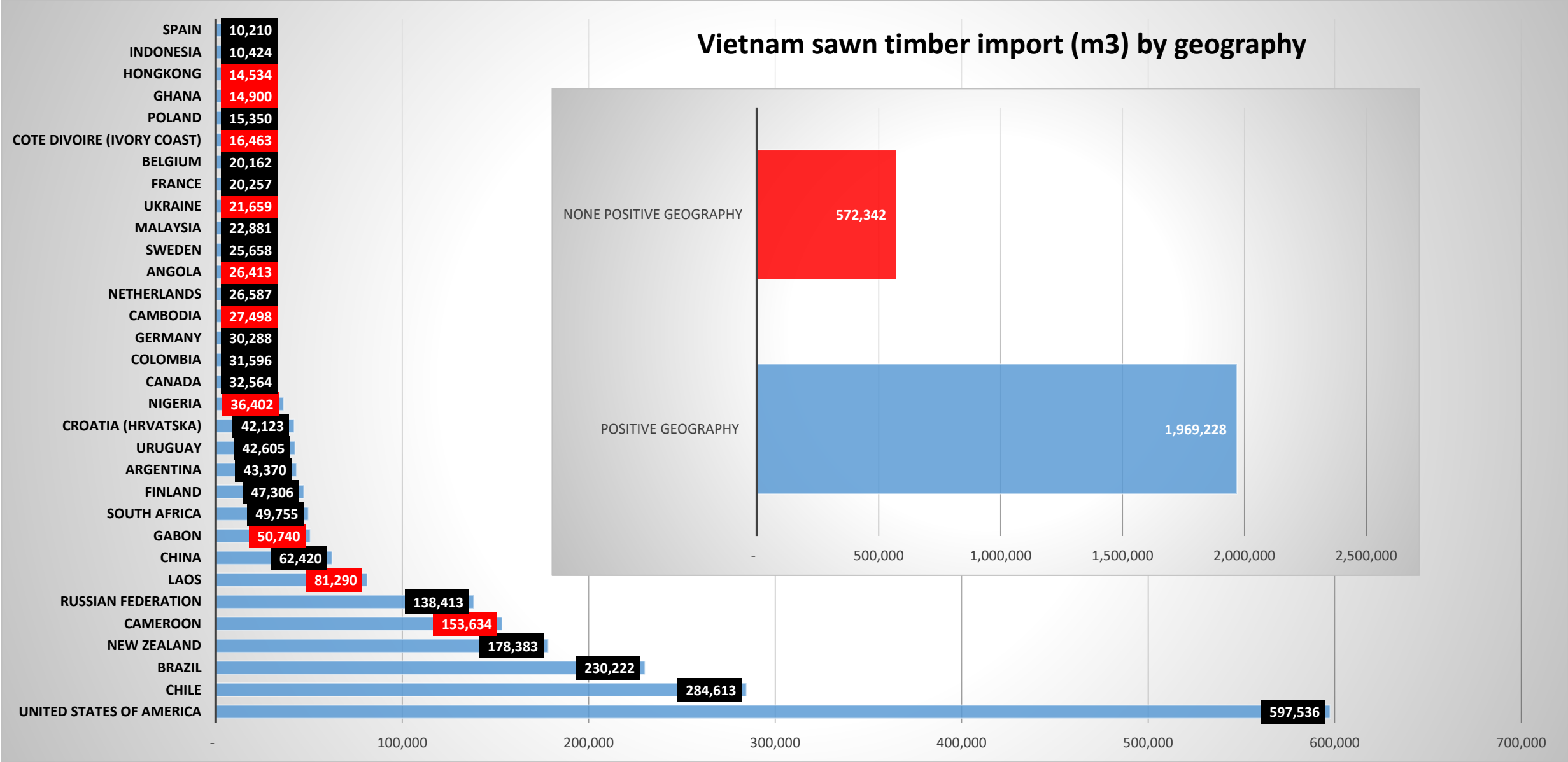
Vietnam logs and sawn timber import 2020: Positive and non-positive geography



Vietnam logs import in 2020



Vietnam sawn timber import in 2020



What have the government, timber associations and NGOs been doing to mitigate legality risks and to facilitate the sector's sustainable development?

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