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Court also rejects second claim by United Fabrics

By verdict of 21 August of this year, the Court in Almelo also rejected the claim brought by United Fabrics (Mr. P. Smeets) against Mr. L. de Vries, Chairman of the Executive Board of Royal Ten Cate.

The Antillean company of United Fabrics had lodged a claim for indemnification of damages against Mr. De Vries in connection with the collaboration between Ten Cate and Textielgroep Twenthe. The Court judged the motivation supplied by United Fabrics insufficient and its claim unfounded.

On 15 May of this year, the Court in Almelo had also already rejected all claims (€56 million plus costs) by United Fabrics against Royal Ten Cate.

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