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**H.E. António Guterres
Secretary-General United Nations
New York, NY 10017 USA**

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am honored to confirm that the Small and Medium Business Development Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan (KOBİA) is committed to the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact concerning human rights, labor, environment, and anti-corruption. This commitment reflects our intent to integrate these principles into our core operations and strategies, and to advocate for them among our stakeholders and the general public.

Our Agency pledges to:

1. Advocate for the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact, particularly focusing on supporting small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in implementing sustainable and ethical business practices.
2. Incorporate the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into our programs and initiatives, emphasizing the empowerment of SMEs to contribute to national and global sustainability efforts.
3. Engage actively with the UN Global Compact network, sharing best practices and collaborating on projects that advance the Ten Principles.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the submission of a Communication on Engagement (COE) that describes our organization's efforts

to support the implementation of the ten principles and to engage with the Global Compact. We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress within two years of joining the Global Compact and every two years thereafter according to the Global Compact COE policy.

We are excited to contribute to the UN's mission through our work with SMEs and look forward to a productive and impactful partnership.

Availing myself of this opportunity, I would like to renew the assurance of my highest esteem.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Orkhan Mammadov', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Orkhan Mammadov
Chairman of the Board