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Mr. BAN KI-MOON
Secretary General of the United Nations
New York

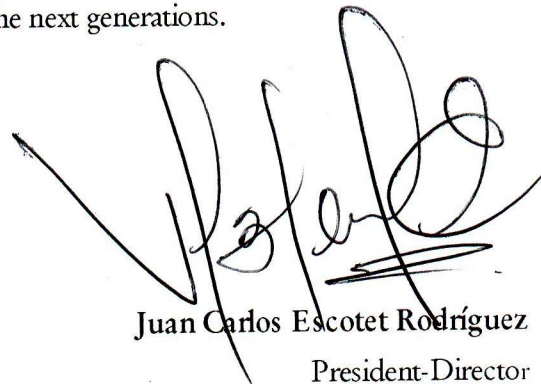
Your Excellency,

I am pleased to kindly greet you in the occasion of expressing that **BANESCO BANCO UNIVERSAL**, a financial institution which I preside over and with headquarters in Caracas, Venezuela, adheres to the principles of Human Rights, labor standards, environmental protection, transparency and the fight against corruption, all of them established in the Global Compact of the United Nations in 1999.

As subscribers to the Global Compact, we commit to the submission of the required Communication on Progress (COP) on an annual base, and publicly inform about it, taking responsibility before all our stakeholders.

It will be an honor for our organization to be included in the list of those institutions that support the Global Compact, with a view to contribute to the building of a better world, with justice and a more promising future for the next generations.

Sincerely Yours,



Juan Carlos Escotet Rodríguez
President-Director

