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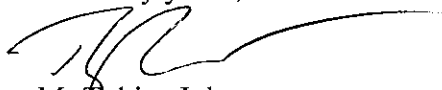
COP, Communications on Progress for the Global Compact.

a) Statement

Unibrands AB continue to support the Global Compact's "Ten principles" in respect to human rights, labour rights, the protection of the environment and anti-corruption. We signed the GC 2005-02-24 through a letter to Mr Koffi Annan currently Secretary-General, United Nations.

Below pls. find our report over COP since 2008-04.

Sincerely yours,



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b/c) Description/Mearsurments

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Ms Anne Broström, Quality and Sourcing Mgr continues her work with the CSR issues and The BSCI code of conduct.

She informs about the progress in the CSR Field for all staff at Unibrands on a monthly base and also in the Management meetings. Unibrands continues to inform the suppliers about the importance that the thoughts in The Global Compact must fully be implemented in our business process. Our suppliers in China step by step improve and we continuously work to make them understand the importance of the purpose of our membership in the BSCI who also have signed the GC.

Unibrands is also member in a Swedish chemical group since May 2008. We think it's important to have as much knowledge as possible about REACH – the chemical law since 2007 in EU. This group is held by SWEREA, a Swedish test institute, and the head of the group is one of the most well known Chemists in the textile area.

During the period we have communicated our support for The Global Compact and worked practically in several different ways.

To the public: In our annually report dated 2008-09, we informed short about our progress in the CSR field, with link to www.unglobalcompact.org for more information.

To our suppliers: The BSCI is a common monitoring system based on the labour standards of the ILO and other important international regulations like the UN Charta for Human Rights, as well as on national regulations (see www.bsci-eu.org). The initiative aims at continuously improving the social performance of BSCI member's suppliers. Since it's based on same thoughts as the Global Compact the BSCI Code of Conduct, system description/management tools and the independent inspections are Unibrands most important tools in order to spread the GC:s ten principles into the whole supply chain.

During 2008 we have started the BSCI process with four new factories and the first audit will be held June 2009. We have also made inspections in two factories requested by one of our customers according to their own CoC.

When it comes to the ten principles the already inspected factories fore fill the labour standards principle 3-6.

- *[Principle 3](#): Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining;*
- *[Principle 4](#): the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour;*
- *[Principle 5](#): the effective abolition of child labour; and*
- *[Principle 6](#): the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.*

The factories also got no remark regarding the basic enviromental demands in the BSCI code of conduct. These principles are harder to measure against the CoC, but all Factories used by Unibrands work in order to forefill also principle 7-9.

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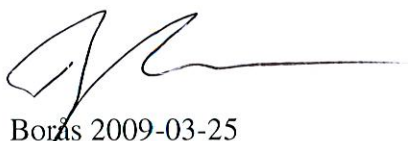
- Principle 7: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges;
- Principle 8: undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility; and
- Principle 9: encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies
- In the BSCI and in Unibrands buyingterms we also set The Universal Declaration of Human Rights and The United Nations Convention Against Corruption as a ground for cooperation between Unibrands and suppliers/customers. Since January 2009 we have a Suppliers Guide to make it easier for our suppliers to understand all our requests in order to fore fill the remaining principles
- Principle 1: Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights;

And

- Principle 2: make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.

And

- Principle 10: Businesses should work against all forms of corruption, including extortion and bribery.



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