

H.E. Ban Ki-moon Secretary-General United Nations New York, NY 10017 USA

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## Statement of continued support - United Nations Global Compact

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

Hotel Maritime is delighted to express its continuing support of the Global Compact's ten principles with respect to human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption.

In spite of being a relatively new member of the Global Compact Foundation, we have already gained a lot of inspiration from the initiative. Many of the core principles have now been merged with our own policies and procedures in our continuing effort to operate a responsible and sustainable hotel business.

We are proud and pleased to submit the attached communication on progress as of January 2010 and to renew our commitment to the United Nations Global Compact Foundation.

Yours sincerely,

**Hotel Maritime** 

Jens Zimmer Christensen General Manager and CEO

Enclosed: Hotel Maritime's communication on progress, January 2011



# **Communication on progress United Nations Global Compact**

## January 2011

## **Description of actions**

We take pleasure in presenting and describing the following policies, procedures and activities which reflect Hotel Maritime's implementation of the UN Global Compact's 10 principles during our first year as a participant.

## **Human Rights**

Principle number 1: Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights.

Principle number 2: Businesses should make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.

Hotel Maritime's CSR policy aims to take responsibility for our employees in creating a safe and healthy working environment both physically, psychologically and ethically.

We encourage diversity in our staff, and we have a zero tolerance policy against discriminatory behaviour, e.g. in respect of age, sex, religious affiliation, sexual preferences and ethnicity.

We invest in solutions and technology which enhance our guests', employees' and our suppliers' safety as well as solutions and technology that support their health.

Actions implemented in 2010 and planned for 2011:

- 1. Improved fire security system installed in early 2010.
- 2. Extensive first aid training of all receptionists in October, 2010.
- 3. Heart start defibrillator installed in early 2011. Staff thoroughly trained.



### Labour

Principle number 3: Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the

effective recognition of the rights to collective bargaining.

Principle number 4: Businesses should support the elimination of all forms of forced

and compulsory labour.

Principle number 5: Businesses should support the effective abolition of child

labour.

Principle number 6: Businesses should uphold the elimination of discrimination in

respect of employment and occupation.

#### Actions implemented before or in 2010 and planned for 2011:

1. As in previous years, we encourage our staff to become members of a labour union.

2. We keep all agreements made with the national labour unions on behalf of our staff.

- 3. As in previous years, we shall continue to cover all our employees by the hotel's private health insurance.
- 4. As in previous years, we will only employ adult persons and ensure that these are given decent wages above the minimum tariffs stipulated by agreement with the unions.

#### **Environment**

Principle number 7: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to

environmental challenges.

Principle number 8: Businesses should undertake initiatives to promote greater

environmental responsibility.

Principle number 9: Businesses should encourage the development and diffusion of

environmentally friendly technologies.



### Actions implemented in 2010 and planned for 2011:

- 1. Awarded with *The Green Key* label, Hotel Maritime shall continue to fulfill a long list of environmental demands, for example to decrease and to limit the production of waste, the use of water, central heating and electricity, thus reducing its CO2-omission.
- 2. From 2010, we have commenced using rain water for irrigation, and from 2011, our sorting system has been modified in order to improve recycling of the hotel's waste.

## **Anti-Corruption**

Principle number 10: Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery.

Actions implemented prior to 2010 and in effect from 2011 onwards:

- 1. We do not allow any employee to accept invitations, travel trips or to participate in business partner or supplier events without permission from the CEO or COO.
- 2. We do not accept that hotel employees receive, demand or offer money, presents or services to anybody in order to obtain any preferential treatment.

The Maritime is an independently owned and operated hotel located in the city centre of Copenhagen. The hotel was built in 1954 in memory of all the Danish sailors who lost their lives at sea during the world wars. The hotel has 64 guest rooms and a large meeting room, and is classified as a three star hotel by the Danish hotel and restaurant industry association HORESTA.

**Hotel Maritime** 

Jens Zimmer Christensen General Manager and CEO