

Date: 11th October 2017

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

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am pleased to reconfirm that RiTS [United Ramin Information Technology Solutions] supports the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact on human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, we reconfirm that we are implementing those principles. We are committed to follow the UN Global Compact and its principles as part of the strategy, culture and day-to-day operations of our company, and to engaging in collaborative projects, which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Sustainable Development Goals. RiTS will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the public.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the UN Global Compact is the annual submission of a Communication on Progress (COP) that describes our company's efforts to implement the Ten Principles. We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress every year according to the UN Global Compact COP policy. This includes:

- A statement signed by the chief executive expressing continued support for the UN Global Compact and renewing our ongoing commitment to the initiative and its principles. This is separate from this letter of recommitment to join the UN Global Compact.
- A description of practical actions (i.e., disclosure of any relevant policies, procedures, activities) that the company has taken (or plans to undertake) to implement the UN Global Compact principles in each of the four issue areas (human rights, labour, environment, anticorruption).
- A measurement of outcomes (i.e., the degree to which targets/performance indicators were met, or other qualitative or quantitative measurements of results).

We attach a COP covering the 12 months period to September 2017 as evidence of our continued commitment.

Furthermore, please note that when we initially joined the UNGC, we were a highly active member in the local network with focus on Anti Corruption. At the time we took the matter so seriously that we spent months devising an initiative called "Citizen Gateway" which we sought to convince the Government of Iraq to adopt, as their principal measure to combat petty corruption. The lack of interest on part of the GoI to study the detailed business case we submitted at the time, led us to protest. I am afraid leaving the UNGC was one of the forms our protest took. Sadly, petty corruption has increased in Iraq since our attempt to contribute to combating it. The main lesson we learnt is to avoid involving GoI in any public initiatives we attempt to lead. Hence, we are returning to UNGC, this time with a new initiative to combat

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youth unemployment. The letter embedded in the attached COP gives the details. As this effort is literally, 100% non-governmental, we do not expect to suffer the same severe disappointment we experienced the last time round.

We hope you will accept our reasons for leaving and returning. Our company takes its social responsibility quite seriously. Despite our small size, we are already making a major contribution towards our country and beyond.

Sincerely yours,

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