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

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that Sabanci University supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption. With this commitment, we express our intent to support the Global Compact advancing these principles, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

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We also pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following way: We believe that in terms of research and education SU with its faculties, research centers and forums have taken important steps in engaging all the principles of UN Global Compact but especially those that relate to Environment (Climate, Food, and Energy). This is related to the size of relevant faculties and availability of external funds in those areas. Gender based violence and gender equity has also been an area where Sabanci University has supported the Human Rights principle with work supported by SU-Gender and CGFT. CGFT's efforts in sustainable finance will also support encouraging businesses to be more responsible. We are proud of our level of support and leadership in promoting sustainable businesses and sustainable development goals through research, thought leadership on best practices, education, and active partnerships. We will continue our efforts in the coming years.

We are sorry that we missed the earlier reporting deadline.

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 are sorry that 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.

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Dr. Hasan Mandal Acting President

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