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Schwarzenbergplatz 1, 1010 Vienna, Austria H.E. António Guterres Secretary-General United Nations New York, NY 10017, USA

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Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that the Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime 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.

We also pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following way(s):

- Propose and implement partnerships on corporate sustainability and engage with other stakeholders and
- Support UN Global Compact business participants as they implement and report on their sustainability efforts.
- Engage with Global Compact Local Networks
- Join and/or support issue platforms and workstreams.

The GI-TOC is the research lead of the Tech Against Trafficking initiative (<u>https://techagainsttrafficking.org/</u>), a multi-stakeholder initiative led by global tech companies (current members: Google, Microsoft, Amazon, Salesforce.org, Meta), partnering with global experts and survivors including NGOs, international / multilateral organisations (OSCE) and academics, to leverage technology in the fight against human trafficking.

In addition, we are also managing, in collaboration with UNGC, ILO, GBCAT, Alliance 8.7 and IOM, the interactive map for business of anti-human trafficking organisations and initiatives <u>https://www.modernslaverymap.org/</u>. Through the interactive map we list entities working with business against human trafficking, many are from the UNGC local networks. We would contribute to the Social Sustainability and Supply Chain Sustainability workstreams.

The Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime is a network of prominent law enforcement, governance and development practitioners who are dedicated to seeking new and innovative strategies and responses to organised crime. The Global Initiative seeks to provide a platform to promote greater debate and innovative approaches as the building blocks to an inclusive global strategy against organised crime, as well as to provide consistent, multidimensional, and high-quality reports and policy-oriented documentation.

In line with the Global Initiative's areas of work, the Global Initiative has undertaken a wide range of research and analysis on transnational organized crime and its different forms of manifestation in areas such as human trafficking and illegal migration.

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 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.

The Global Initiative avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the UN Secretary General the assurances of its highest consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark Shaw Director Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime