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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 the University of Portsmouth Higher Education Corporation supports the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact on human rights, labour, 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 will participate and engage with the UN Global Compact by conducting applied research and thought leadership to advance best practice. As an organisation we will also demonstrate engagement and alignment with the UN Global Compact Ten Principles.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the submission of a Communication on Engagement (COE) that describes our organisation'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.

Yours sincerely

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