



Buenos Aires, April 19th, 2016

To Sr. Secretary-General
of the United Nations

D. Ban Ki- moon

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Dear Sir:

I am writing to ratify the RTRS' s engagement to the Global Compact of the United Nations to which we adhered in May 2014

RTRS wishes to inform its compromise to practice his activities under the Ten Principles established by the Global Compact. Therefore we ratify our commitment and support for Human Rights, Labor Rights, Environmental Protection and Corruption Combat.

We intend to continue working towards compliance with the values that the Global Compact transmits, and collaborate with the diffusion through our daily activity.

With this intention, we present a list of actions that we have developed during 2014 and 2015 in compliance with the above principles.

Yours faithfully.

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Market Development Manager



Actions developed by RTRS

Participation in the launching of the UN-REDD program in Argentina

RTRS was present representing the Civil Society constituency, contributing with knowledge acquired throughout years of experience related to the soy value chain. This is because RTRS and REDD have aligned projects regarding forest protection, environmental responsibility and sustainable development. An evidence of this is the work performed in the Mapping Project in general, and specifically the project in Argentina. RTRS Certification and REDD funding mechanisms can work in sync for developing incentives for preventing deforestation from advancing.

Presentation of the Paraguay Mapping project in the ONU-REDD workshop.

The coordinator of the RTRS Mapping Project in Paraguay, attended the workshop about "The Private Sector in the Implementation and Financing of REDD+ in Paraguay", given jointly with the UN Programme on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (UN REDD+). On that occasion, RTRS took part in the discussion related to the implementation of more sustainable production models and to the existing initiatives for reducing deforestation in Paraguay.

Public Consultation on the Sustainable Agriculture Business Principles (SABPS) in Brazil

Alignment responsible companies to the UN objectives.

RTRS at the launch of UN's Food & Agriculture Business Principles

RTRS attended the launch of the Food and Agriculture Business Principles (FABPs), held at the United Nations headquarters in New York in September 2014. Our organisation was invited to make a presentation in "The Smaller Picture" segment, dedicated to the specific conditions of smaller farmers and agribusinesses, and their inclusion in sustainable agriculture through Certification Standards like RTRS.

Evaluation of the Results.

All actions taken by the RTRS were carried out taking into account the Ten Principles of Global Compact of the United Nations.

Through the alignment of the Principles of RTRS with the Principles of Global Compact, RTRS works to make Responsible Soy production a reality worldwide and a possibility for every producer, company and organisation. Better agricultural practices, good relations and respect to local communities, legal compliance and adequate labour conditions for all workers, and biodiversity protection make the difference in agriculture and more specifically soy growing, one of the most important commodities of our time.