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to the Arctic Council

## **COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT (COE)**

### **Part I. Statement of Continued Support by the Chief Executive or Equivalent Statement of Continued Support**

30 March 2018

To our stakeholders:

I am pleased to confirm that Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North, Siberia and Far East (RAIPON) reaffirms its support to the United Nations Global Compact and its Ten Principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labor, Environment and Anti-Corruption. This is our Communication on Engagement with the United Nations Global Compact. We welcome feedback on its contents.

In this Communication of Engagement, we describe the actions that our organization has taken to support the UN Global Compact and its Principles as suggested for an organization like ours, and to promote, support, and achieve the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. We also commit to sharing this information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication.

Sincerely yours,

Grigorii Ledkov

President of Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North, Siberia and Far East (RAIPON)

## **Part II. Description of Actions.**

RAIPON is a non-governmental organization established in 1990. It covers 41 indigenous groups, totalling 250,000 people, uniting 34 ethnic and regional organizations that have the right to represent these groups, both in Russia and in the international community. Since 2001, RAIPON has had special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council.


The main mission:

- ▶ The protection of the rights and interests of the indigenous peoples of the North, Siberia and Far East of the Russian Federation;
- ▶ The assistance in solving social and economic problems, the cultural development and education, protection of environment, protection of the primordial habitat and the traditional lifestyle.

The priorities of RAIPON in the medium term:

- ▶ The development of a mechanism of the documentary evidence of the nationality ;
- ▶ Facilitating access to traditional resources ;
- ▶ The expansion of the list of types of traditional economic activities, as well as places of traditional residence;
- ▶ The provision of priority access to fishing areas and expansion of the types and volumes of quotas;
- ▶ Elaboration of legal mechanisms for the establishment and the functioning of the territories of traditional nature for the use of indigenous people;
- ▶ The introduction of mandatory procedures of ethnological expertise ;
- ▶ The increase of funding for the socio-economic development of indigenous people
- ▶ The restoration of regular statistical monitoring of the socio-demographic and economic situation of indigenous people


## Part III. Measurement of Outcomes.



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OUR EVENTS:  
LEGAL INFORMATION SEMINARS IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE PROJECT "ABORIGINAL  
PEOPLE AND THE LAW. REGIONAL WORKSHOP"

In 2016-2017, RAIPON has launched a Legal project "Aboriginal people and the law. Regional workshop", in which in four Federal districts: Siberian, West Siberian, far Eastern and Urals were legal information seminars.




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BUSINESS COUNCIL

The public body under the RAIPON was established in 2015 to promote the development of traditional branches of economic activities of indigenous people and their communities, as well as solving problems in the field of entrepreneurship. The business Council gathers on a voluntary basis, representatives of the business communities of indigenous peoples of the North, Siberia and Far East of the Russian Federation, whose main activity is entrepreneurial activity of all forms of management.



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## OUR ACTIVITIES: THE YOUTH FORUM "RUSSIAN NORTH"

In 2015 and 2016, RAIPON hosted a Youth Forum of indigenous peoples of the North, Siberia and Far East of Russia "Russian North" with participation of 150 young leaders from all over the Russia who were interested in the research, development and preservation of socio-economic potential, traditional lifestyle and cultural values of indigenous peoples.

The first Forum was held from 4th to 8th December 2015 in Moscow the II Forum was held from 13th to 17th November 2016 in Tyumen, the third Forum was held from 24th to 28th October 2017 in Krasnoyarsk.



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## OUR EVENTS: THE SCHOOL LEADER "WORKSHOP OF THE FUTURE"

All-Russian school for young leaders of indigenous peoples of the North, Siberia and Far East of the Russian Federation "the Workshop of the future" was organized by RAIPON in cooperation with ANO "Scientific expert"




on the problems of indigenous peoples of the North" development of professional competence of the young leaders of public organizations, specialists in the sphere of youth policy, development of youth movement of indigenous people of the North, Siberia and Far East of the Russian Federation.

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### TRAINING OF OHCHR. THE MOSCOW COMPONENT

The training program for indigenous peoples was established by the Office of the high Commissioner for human rights (OHCHR) in 1997 in the framework of the first International decade of indigenous peoples of the world.

The program aims to provide indigenous peoples the opportunity to gain knowledge about the system and the UN mechanisms relevant to human rights in General and indigenous issues in particular




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### OUR EVENTS: EXHIBITION-FAIR "TREASURES OF THE NORTH"



Annually during the spring holidays the Russian representatives of indigenous peoples of the North, Siberia and Far East get together to take part in the International exhibition-fair "treasures of the NORTH". They are the masters of traditional and artistic crafts, folk artists, representatives of indigenous peoples of the North.

The exhibition is held under the auspices of RAIPON since 2005.

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## The FORUM AND THE VIII CONGRESS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES OF THE NORTH, SIBERIA AND FAR EAST OF RUSSIA 23 – 25 MARCH 2017 IN SALEKHARD



More than 500 guests, including delegates, representatives of the Government and the state Duma of the Russian Federation, scientists and public figures of indigenous peoples of the North, Siberia and the Far East, as well as foreign guests – members of the Arctic Council, the Association "world reindeer Herders" and other organizations.

The president commented on the work of the Association in the Congress for the period 2013-2017, adopted a new Charter, and elected the management bodies for the period 2017-2021.

Open voting delegates from 368 371 were elected by the President of the Association of indigenous people of the North, Siberia and the Far East - Grigory Styopa Ledkov

