

COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT {COE}

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Statement of continued support by the Human Rights and Grassroots Development Society HRGDS

2019-08-20

To our Stakeholders:

I am pleased to confirm that Human Rights and Grassroots Development Society HRGDS reaffirms its support to the United Nation Global Compact and its Ten principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Good Governance, Security and Anti-Corruption. This is our Communication on Engagement with the United Nations Global Compact. We welcome feedback on its contents

In this Communication on Engagement, we described the actions that our organization has undertaken to support the UN Global Compact and its principles as suggested for an organization like ours. We also commit to sharing information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication

Sincerely yours,

For: Human Rights and Grassroots Development Society HRGDS

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Executive Director

Communication on Engagement

Actions Taken

The following actions were undertaken in quest to advance the Ten principles of the United Nations Global Compact, particularly in the areas of Human Rights, Peace, Labour, Good Governance, Security and Anti-Corruption

Sustainable Peace

2017 United Nation Peace Day

The Human Rights and Grassroots Development Society HRGDS in collaboration with the Committee for the Defence of Human Rights CDHR Ogun commemorated the 2017 United Nation Peace Day with a Peace Trek

Date of Action: Thursday 21 September, 2017

Participants: Civil Rights advocates, Security agencies, Labour Unions, Students, Market men & women, Community leaders, Artisans and Media

Theme: Together for Peace, Respect, Safety and Dignity for All

Objectives and Achievements

It aimed at fostering Sustainable peace and Security for All. The need to eschew violence among stakeholders was emphasized, collective commitment toward sustainable peace was achieved.

HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION

The Human Rights and Grassroots Development Society HRGDS embarked on Human Rights Education across Fifteen (15) out of the Twenty (20) Local Governments in Ogun State, Nigeria.

It was an Eight (8) months project that commenced September, 2017 to May, 2018.

Methodology adopted

Community leaders from Local Governments and Area Community Development Committee organ which comprises of a conglomeration of grassroots leaders were assembled on different days and during their statutory monthly meeting. The Community leaders were sensitized on the 30 Universal Declaration of Human Rights UDHR December 10, 1948, the Seventeen (17) Sustainable Development Goals and the Ten principles of the United Nation Global Compact. Shelter Rights and challenges confronting sustainable peace in the communities were identified and solutions proffered

As a follow up to the project, a decision was reached by the HRGDS, to engage policy makers and other actors on how to promote Human Rights and Good Governance at the grassroots and for the benefit of all

Good Governance

As a follow up to the Grassroots engagement, the HRGDS engaged the Executive Governor of Ogun State at a town hall meeting tagged

“Ogun Civil Society conversation with the Executive Governor of Ogun State”

Date: 27 June, 2018

The town hall meeting recorded the participation of critical stakeholders including Traditional Rulers, Civil Rights Defenders, Civil Servants, Government functionaries, Security agencies, Community leaders, Students, Artisans, Market Men and Women among others

The over Five (5) hours engagement presented opportunities for critical actors to ask questions on the state of affairs with governance and government efforts towards the provision of basic amenities. The Human Rights and Grassroots Development Society HRGDS and the Committee for the Defence of Human Rights CDHR Ogun posited that the Ogun State Government must mainstream the 17 Sustainable Development Goals for the benefit of all. The Ten principles of United Nation Global Compact was analyzed.

Upcoming Actions

2019 World Human Rights Day commemoration

The Human Rights and Grassroots Development Society HRGDS will be commemorating the World Human Rights Day to engage critical stakeholders and Policy actors on the need to promote the theme **“Let’s Stand up for equality, Justice and human dignity”**

HRGDS shall acquaint policy actors with the Ten principles of United Nation Global Compact and the 17 Sustainable Development Goals.