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H.E. António Guterres
Secretary-General
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Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that African Rights Initiative International 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 advance these principles within our spheres of influence, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

We also pledge to take part in the activities of the UN Global Compact where appropriate and feasible – through, for instance, participation in Country/Local Networks; involvement in specialized initiatives and workstreams; engagement in partnership projects; and reviewing and providing commentary to participating companies on their Communications on Progress. In effective collaboration with the in-Country network we would also like to organize an annual National Forum on the United Nations Global Compact that would provide great opportunities for businesses and non-business organizations to gather, learn about the ten principles of the UN Global Compact and align their missions and objectives to the United Nations Global Compact to help create a more stable society.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the biannual 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.

Sincerely yours,

Prince Oduro
Executive Director

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