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H.E. Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General
United Nations
New York, NY 10017
USA

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am pleased to confirm that National Economic Chamber “Atameken” Union” (further “Atameken” Union) supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment, and anti-corruption.

“Atameken” Union includes absolute majority of sector business associations covering all regions of Kazakhstan and constitutes a network of 17 branch offices and 52 representatives throughout the country. “Atameken” Union is a member of International Chamber of Commerce and has representation in Kazakhstan Parliament and Government. “Atameken” Union acted as the organizer of the First Forum on Social Responsibility of Business in Kazakhstan, which led to adopting the Agreement on Promotion of the GC Principles in the sphere of labour relations. To date, more than four hundred enterprises joined the Agreement. “Atameken” Union is one of the organizers of annual national “Paryz” competition on corporate social responsibility.

With this commitment, we express our intent to advance these principles within our sphere of influence, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

We also intend to take part in the activities of the UN Global Compact when it is appropriate and feasible – through, for instance, participation in Country/Global Networks; involvement in specialized initiatives and discussions; engagement in partnership projects; and reviewing and providing commentary to participating companies on their Communications on Progress in promotion of the Principles of Global Compact.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Azat Peruashev
Chairman