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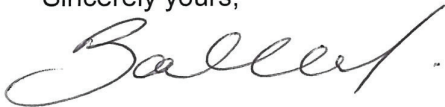
Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that the International Women's Development Agency (IWDA) 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 support the Global Compact advancing these principles, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

We also pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following way(s): engaging with the Australian Global Compact Network; contributing expertise and evidence from our work on gender equality and the Sustainable Development Goals; and where relevant connecting the Global Compact Network with our networks in Australia and the Asia Pacific Region.

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



Bettina Baldeschi

Chief Executive Officer