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Dear Mr. Secretary General,

It will be a privilege and indeed an honour for HPE to join the fold of global companies who support the 10 principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. We believe that due to the nature of its product, its people and its beliefs HPE can be a leader to the world.

By being a South African company transformation is a key aspect of business and society in our country with special emphasis on human rights, labour and anti-corruption. HPE is thereby committed in making the Global Compact and the Sustainable Development Goals part of our daily operations and will make this known to our stakeholders and general public.

We recognise that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the annual submission of a Communication on Progress (COP) that describes our company's efforts to implement the ten principles. We support public accountability and transparency and therefore commit to report on progress within one year of joining the Global Compact and annually thereafter according to the Global Compact COP policy. This includes;

- Signed statement by the CEO expressing continued support for the Global Compact and renewing our ongoing commitment.
- A description of practical actions that HPE has taken (or plans to undertake) to implement the Global Compact principles in each of the four issue areas.
- A measurement of outcomes i.e. key performance indicators

HPE pledges continued support to the UN Global Compact and its sustainable development goals and we look forward to showcasing that we are worthy contributors.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Swart', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

André Swart
CEO