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Save the Children Sweden (Rädda Barnen) supports the ten principles of the United Nations Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, 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 ways. Save the Children is a global organization with presence in more than 120 countries worldwide. We believe every child deserves a future, and around the world we give children a healthy start in life, the opportunity to learn and to be protected from violence. Save the Children Sweden promotes policy changes in order to gain more rights for young people, especially by enforcing the UN Declaration of the Rights of the Child. We co-ordinate emergency relief efforts, helping to protect children from the effects of war and violence and conduct national and international programs within child protection, child poverty, education, governance and health and nutrition. In 2016, Save the Children reached 56 million children directly through our and our partner's work.

For more than 20 years Save the Children has been actively working with children's rights and businesses through advocacy, capacity building and education. In 2012 Save the Children, UN Global Compact and UNICEF developed the Children's Rights and Business Principles – the first comprehensive guidelines on what businesses can do in the workplace, marketplace and community to respect and support children's rights. Since then, the three organisations have cooperated closely to promote CRBP globally and regionally, and jointly organized national launches of the principles in well over 50 countries. Today a global Centre of Excellence is established in Stockholm, Sweden where Save the Children brings together all the work on research, advocacy, trainings and methodological development.

We recognise that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the submission of Communication of 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.

Best regards,

SAVE THE CHILDREN SWEDEN

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