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H.E. António Guterres
Secretary-General
United Nations
New York, NY 10017
USA

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

Relief International fully supports the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact on human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption. We can proudly point to ongoing implementation of integrated initiatives for most of the principles. And with this communication, we express our intent to ensure full implementation across the remaining ones. We are committed to undertaking continuous improvement of our implementation of the UN Global Compact and its principles through our strategy, culture and day-to-day operations, and to engaging in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Sustainable Development Goals. Relief International will now make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

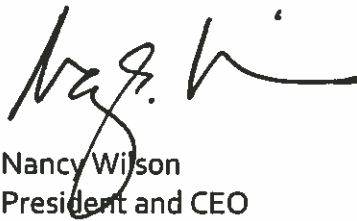
Relief International is a not-for-profit organization that partners with some of the world's most vulnerable communities to relieve poverty, ensure well-being and advance dignity. We specialize in fragile settings, responding to natural disasters, humanitarian emergencies and chronic poverty. We have no political or religious affiliation. As part of our commitment to these vulnerable communities, we pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact through the following guiding principles, which we call the "RI Way":

- **Local Participation:** At Relief International, beneficiaries are not recipients of aid. They are participants in their own solutions. We engage local communities at the program design stage, because programs designed, built and judged by the community they serve are more likely to succeed. And to last.
- **Integrated Programs:** Relief International designs projects to cover more than just one slice of life. Because lives are complicated. Education boosts health. Better health improves livelihoods. Stronger livelihoods let families invest in education. Integrated solutions serve people living in the real world.
- **Partnerships:** We partner with communities, governments and leading international organizations. These relationships let us harness complementary expertise and networks to ensure that each community gets the best solutions available.

- **Civic Skills:** People are powerful when they are heard. By engaging communities in project design and execution, Relief International fosters skills such as transparency, accountability and open public debate — the cornerstones of effective civil society. And a strong civil society supports good governance, the critical force behind long-term development and stability.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the UN Global Compact is the annual submission of a Communication on Engagement (COE) that describes our organization's efforts to implement 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 UN Global Compact, and every two years thereafter according to the UN Global Compact COE policy.

Sincerely Yours,



Nancy Wilson
President and CEO