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**H.E. BAN KI-MOON**

Secretary-General  
UNITED NATIONS  
New York, NY 10017  
USA

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

As the Rector of the Universidad del Tolima (University of Tolima) the biggest public University in the state of Tolima, I am pleased to confirm that our Institution supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment, and anti-corruption. 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 students, professors, researchers and administrative staff.

Since we are also part of the Academic Impact, we pledge to take part in the activities of the UN Global Compact in Latin America and Colombia or where appropriate and feasible, through, for instance, participation in Country/Local Networks; involvement in specialized initiatives and workstreams and engagement in partnership projects.

It is deeply important for our University to make a significant contribution to development and peace, to participate in a favorable international environment, to contribute to the creation of global solutions to the problems of the future and it is up to this generation whether politics withers into the simulacrum of something significant or if it really emerges as a genuine focal point in society to create the solutions and changes we need.

I look forward to collaborate with you and contribute as much as we can.

Sincerely yours,

**JESUS RAMÓN RIVERA**  
Rector

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