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

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

With the present letter of commitment, I am pleased to confirm that the International Institute of Humanitarian Law (hereinafter "the Institute") 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 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:

- Connect with and outreaching to relevant stakeholders, such as government officials, members of the civil society, the judiciary and the academia, and representatives of international governmental and non-governmental organizations, for promoting a human rights-based approach in the identification and protection of refugees, migrants, internally displaced persons and stateless people (hereinafter "persons of concern").
- Encourage dialogue and cooperation among the above mentioned stakeholders, to achieve a profound engagement of the international community in the support of persons of concern.
- Strengthen the knowledge and skills and positively influence the attitudes of the above mentioned stakeholders with regards to the protection of persons of concern.
- Advocate with governments for national legislative reforms and access to the international legal framework governing the protection and enjoyment of human rights of persons of concern.
- Educate the above mentioned stakeholders on the social, environmental and economic human rights-issues faced by people of concern, and explore potential solutions accordingly.
- Participate to the Academic Network on the Global Compact on Refugees (hereinafter "GCR"), to contribute to the understanding and implementation of the GCR and to receive inputs for sustainability actions by other stakeholders.

We recognise 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,

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