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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am writing to confirm AstraZeneca AB's commitment to the UN Global Compact (UNGC) and the Ten GC Principles on Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-Corruption, which we have been pleased to support for over ten years. Since our parent company, AstraZeneca Plc, joined UNGC in December 2009, we have ensured that the UNGC and its Ten Principles have become part of our strategy, culture and day-to-day operations, and they will remain vitally important in the years ahead.

Health is our business and our contribution to society; how we operate supports sustainable ecosystems for healthcare, using science-based innovation to benefit people and our planet. We align with the UNGC and its principles and advocate via our active participation in its initiatives, particularly our engagement with the UNGC action platform: Business Ambition for Climate and Health, where we are proud to have recently become Patron sponsors. We ensure that we communicate on our progress and our efforts to support societal priorities, most recently via our 2019 Sustainability Report, which highlights that the success of our Sustainability strategy is measured against the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We continue to provide our annual Communication on Progress (COP) to the UNGC as an integral part of our annual reporting process.

In support of human rights, we pledged our commitment to the United Nations Global LGBTI Standards of Conduct and the United Nations Women's Empowerment Principles. We were an early signatory to the UNGC's Business Ambition for 1.5°C campaign, having already committed AstraZeneca to science-based climate targets that are recognised as aligned with this ambitious goal.

Earlier in 2020, I was proud to announce the launch of Ambition Zero Carbon; our commitment to achieve zero carbon emissions from our own operations across the world by 2025 and to ensure our entire value chain is carbon negative by 2030, bringing forward decarbonisation plans by more than a decade. We recognise the strong connection between a healthy planet and human health and that the time to act is now.

In this twentieth anniversary year of the UNGC, we wish it and its members continued success for the next decade, as we address the major societal challenges facing us all.

Yours sincerely,



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