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The Honorable Ban Ki-moon  
Secretary-General  
United Nations  
New York, NY 10017  
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Dear Mr. Secretary-General:

I am pleased to confirm that the City of Cleveland supports the ten principles of the Global Compact in respect to human rights, labour rights, the protection of the environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, we express our intent to support and advance those principles within our sphere of influence by making a clear statement of this commitment both internally and to the public. We will explore opportunities to partner with companies and other stakeholders to further the implementation of the ten principles.

The City of Cleveland values human rights, labour standards, the environment and anti-corruption. In 2006, I signed on to the Mayor's Climate Protection Agreement, signalling our recognition of the importance of addressing climate change. Most recently, I have begun to incorporate sustainable practices within our municipal operations through our Office of Sustainability. My administration is also reaching out to the community to engage residents and businesses to dialogue on how to build a "green city on a blue lake." This year we challenged our local businesses to buy local to help support the local economy, protect the environment, and support local jobs. I am inspired and encouraged by the progress we have already made as a City. This compact is another step in our effort to make Cleveland a City of Choice. The City of Cleveland looks forward to building relationships within the U.N. Global Compact and to helping make the world a better and healthier place.

Please find attached some general information regarding our organization as well as the contact person responsible for contacts with the office of the Global Compact.

Sincerely,



Frank G. Jackson  
Mayor