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H.E. Ban Ki-moon
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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am pleased to confirm that Eli Lilly and Company supports the ten principles of the United Nations Global Compact with respect to human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, I am informing you of our company's decision, endorsed by the Lilly Board of Directors, to advance these principles within our sphere of influence. We are committed to making the UN Global Compact and its principles part of the strategy, culture and day-to-day operations of our company, and to engaging in collaborative projects which advance the broader development objectives. Lilly will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the annual submission of a Communication on Progress (COP) that describes our company's efforts to implement the ten principles. We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress within one year of joining the Global Compact, and every year thereafter according to the Global Compact COP policy.

Sincerely yours,