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H.E. Ban Ki-Moon

Secretary-General

United Nations

New York, NY 10017

USA

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

Young Peace Initiative (GBI) is an Istanbul-based, non-governmental and non-profit association that aims to be beneficial to mankind regardless of religion, language, race and gender in order to contribute to the establishment of the world peace. GBI tries to reach peace, the common goal of the whole mankind, especially through academic studies, conferences, projects and its quarterly published Young Peace Magazine of Ideas and Research in Turkish and English.

I am pleased to confirm that Young Peace Initiative (GBI) 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 where appropriate and feasible – through, for instance, participation in Country/Local Networks, involvement in and support to specialized initiatives and work streams, reviewing and providing commentary to companies on Communication on Progress, participation in Global Compact global, country and local events and engagement in partnership projects.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the submission of a Communication on Engagement (CEO) that describes our organisation'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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