

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

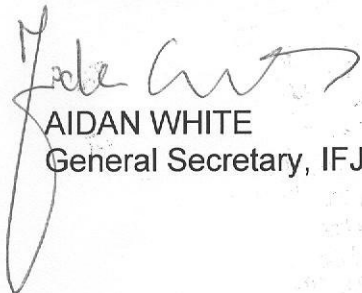
I am pleased to confirm that the International Federation of Journalists supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment, and anti-corruption.

Journalists have a key role in promoting democratic debate and sustainable development in society. The IFJ campaigns to enable independent journalists to play this role effectively through the promotion of strong, independent journalists' unions.

With this commitment, we express our intention to advance these principles within our sphere of influence, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

We also pledge to take part in the activities of the UN Global Compact where appropriate and feasible – through, for instance, participation in Country/Local Networks; involvement in specialized initiatives and workstreams; engagement in partnership projects; and reviewing and providing commentary to participating companies on their Communications on Progress.

Sincerely yours,



AIDAN WHITE
General Secretary, IFJ