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H.E. Ban Ki-moon  
Secretary-General  
United Nations  
New York, NY 10017  
USA

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am pleased to confirm that Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (PUCP) supports the ten principles of the Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, we express our intent to advance those principles within our sphere of influence, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

The PUCP is an academic community inspired in Roman Catholic values and ethical principles, founded in 1917 as a creator and disseminator of culture and knowledge, as well as a promoter of change. It is devoted to the integral formation of individuals to transform them, through studies, in an instrument of self-accomplishment so that they become qualified to assume and to solve fundamental problems inherent to the human being and society.

To achieve its goals, PUCP has ten departments and fourteen faculties, a graduate school, and thirty-four centers and institutes specialized in the study and dissemination of science, humanities and arts. We can propose as an example of our academic community the Business School, the Academic Direction of Social Responsibility, the Institute for Environmental Studies, and the Institute for Democracy and Human Rights:

CENTRUM, the Business School of the University, is charged with contributing to the development of managerial capacity within a perspective of productivity, ethics and social commitment. Through CENTRUM, it summons the participation of prestigious professionals and institutions to contribute to the economic growth of the country and to the welfare of the population by promoting development.

DARS (the Office for Social Responsibility) is the unit in charge of articulating the academic, organizational and communication management in order to establish a social responsibility culture at an institutional level. Internally, it articulates initiatives from different agents giving them an ethical, interdisciplinary and

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intercultural approach. Externally, it provides services to other institutions in order to promote social change through education and technology transfer.

IDEA (Institute for Environmental Studies) is the answer of the university to the need for human resources and specialized knowledge of environmental issues and related items, moreover in a country with a great variety of communities and ecosystems.

Finally, IDEHPUCP (Institute for Democracy and Human Rights) represents the commitment of the university with the task undertaken by the Commission on Truth and Reconciliation (CVR). Inspired on the CVR's work (which final report was made public on August, 2003), IDEHPUCP began as a university space, the aim of which is to reflect on fundamental issues for the enforcement of Human Rights and the strengthening of the Rule of Law in our country.

Please find attached general information about our organization, as well as the contact details of the focal point for communication with the Global Compact Office.

 Sincerely yours,

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Luis David Guzmán Barrón Sobrevilla  
Rector