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30 April 2016

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

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

**re: Support for the UN Global Compact**

I am pleased to confirm that Australian Chamber of Commerce in Lao PDR 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 in the following ways:

- Encourage our members to join the UN Global Compact;
- Continue to encourage Lao business to join and support the Womens Empowerment Principles, particularly through our 'WEPS and the Banking Sector' initiative;
- Convene the ASEAN Women's Private Sector Forum in June 2016;
- Continue to promote the adoption of responsible business practices in Lao PDR through learning and dialogue events, workshops and training; and
- Continue to connect Lao Alumni with employment, training and networking opportunities.

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

Anna Green

President, Austcham Laos