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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 the General Assembly of the Association of the Mediterranean Chambers of Commerce and Industry (ASCAME), encompassing over 200 member Chambers in 22 Mediterranean countries, 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.

In that regards, we shall, where appropriate and feasible, utilizing own or third party resources, take part in the activities of the UN Global Compact; strive to attract new participants from our membership through outreach and awareness raising; implement projects and organize learning events and workshops on the topic of corporate citizenship in general and the Global Compact in specific; act as a platform for sharing of experiences and ideas; and host a secretariat for Global Compact Local Networks within the Mediterranean region. It would be my gratitude to present you further information about our Association and her plans to take forward the Global Compact principles and to engage in collaborative partnerships which help to advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Millennium Development Goals.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Murat Yalçıntaş President of the ASCAME