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Dear Mr. Rivas,

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to join us at the United Nations headquarters in New York for the <u>UN Global Compact's 20th anniversary Leaders Summit.</u>

For the last 20 years, the UN Global Compact has been building a global movement of sustainable companies and stakeholders. Now, we need leaders like you to take this movement to the next level. We therefore hope you will join us at the UN Global Compact's 20th anniversary Leaders Summit at the United Nations and Jacob Javits Center from 15-16 June 2020 to celebrate where we have come from and commit to a Decade of Action to deliver the Sustainable Development Goals.

The premise for our anniversary is stark. In September 2019, world leaders convened at the United Nations to review progress towards all of the 17 SDGs. This crucial stocktaking moment conveyed a clear message: Governments and businesses are making progress, but not nearly at the pace and scale needed. Climate change, loss of biodiversity and widening social inequalities pose major existential threats to our future. The big dilemma we must grapple with is this: How do we improve the lives of billions of people, without irreparably damaging Earth's ability to regenerate and replenish? One thing is sure. The environmental space for leaving no one behind, under business-asusual approaches, is rapidly shrinking. The good news is that it is still possible to shift the world onto a 1.5 C trajectory and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030. But it will take urgent, scalable multi-stakeholder action to dramatically accelerate progress. It will require that we take a clear stand and demonstrate bold leadership to transform business models and economies so they become more just and inclusive – leaving no one behind.

This is our startline as we launch into the Decade of Action to deliver the SDGs, and what better moment to commemorate the vision of our founding father, the late UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan, who in 2000 had the foresight to initiate a global compact of shared values and principles between the United Nations and business to give the global market a human face. His vision will shine a light as we bring more than 1,500 leaders together from across the world to reimagine, reset and redefine ambition, leadership and action to deliver the world we want.

We hope you will join us on June 15 and 16 for two days of inspiring plenary sessions, interactive workshops, exhibitions and networking opportunities. Meet today's and tomorrow's most

progressive business leaders, innovators and entrepreneurs and help define how we launch into the Decade of Action to deliver the SDGs. The time to act is NOW.

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