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Dear Professor Ruggie,

On behalf of JSL Stainless Ltd., I thank you for developing the Guiding Principles (GPs) for the implementation of the United Nations 'Protect, Respect and Remedy' Framework. Business interface with human rights issues in today's context in the developing world can be very complex and most of these very complexities have in some form found initial guidance and redress mechanisms in the GPs. This makes the work you have carried out at the United Nations extremely useful.

JSL Stainless Ltd. is part of the OP Jindal Group and the largest stainless steel manufacturing corporate in India. We have been aiming to demonstrate best practices of treating people with dignity and addressing other issues relating to Human Rights and Business. I am sure the GPs will be of immense help to the corporate sector and especially to JSL Stainless Ltd as it helps us to achieve our vision of being a socially responsible corporation.

Since we became members of the Global Business Initiative on Human Rights in August 2010, we have learned much through the process of sharing and debating various issues in the context your mandate. There have been many takeaways from our deliberations, for example the role of international standards in a globalised society, the need for human rights due diligence processes and respecting human rights through a policy statement. All of these items have been very clearly enunciated in the GPs, which is extremely helpful. As a sequel to the release of the Draft Guiding Principles last year, JSL Stainless Ltd. has decided to carry out a human rights impact study, which will steer us to improve upon our CSR processes and systems on human rights.

The CSR department of JSL Stainless Ltd. is spearheading various initiatives relating to Human Rights through its participation in the Global Compact Network India's Sub Committee on Human Rights. In this context, we are working with others in spreading awareness amongst Indian signatories to the Compact. Further, we are engaged in supporting leadership from the Academia in Business and Law Schools whereby the faculty and students (the prospective industry candidates of the future) can play their role in realization of the "Protect, Respect, Remedy" Framework in India.

We find a lot of synergy with the GPs and the other CSR guidelines such as ISO 26000. Most importantly in our Indian context, your work has informed and influenced the drafting of the Indian Voluntary Guidelines on Responsible Business led by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs with input from industry and civil society. We also appreciate the breadth

and depth of your consultation efforts and thank you for undertaking a consultation in India in 2009 where you also met with many industry leaders. These links are very helpful for business and we applaud your role in making this happen.

JSL Stainless Ltd. would like to acknowledge that your work has been a key driver for JSL Stainless Ltd to become systematic in implementing corporate respect for human rights – and so bringing about a change in the lives of people in a proactive, positive and sustainable manner.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ratan Jindal', written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

**Ratan Jindal**