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Recognizing that the MIRPS encourages regional cooperation between countries of origin, transit and destination to foster responsibility-sharing on matters related to prevention, protection and durable solutions for the forcibly displaced; and taking note that the MIRPS Support Platform supports the efforts of the MIRPS countries in offering protection and solutions to forced displacement while mobilizing additional support among other stakeholders, including non-state and private sector actors.

Conscious of the magnitude and complex dynamics of forced displacement in Central America and Mexico present challenges requiring a whole of society approach.

We the undersigned business and private sector actors, in view of the above and on the occasion of the MIRPS Solidarity Event, express our solidarity for the MIRPS by;

1. Recognizing the pivotal role, the private sector can play in contributing to solutions through business practices that enhance social cohesion and inclusive growth.

- 2. Committing to explore ways to enhance economic and training opportunities, livelihoods and self-reliance of refugees, asylum seekers, returnees and other forcibly displaced populations in the region while recognizing the role of governments in enabling conditions to do so.
- 3. Acknowledging that the enduring forced displacement crisis in Mexico and Central America requires collective and sustained efforts by all actors of society and that better cooperation amongst private sector stakeholders, government representatives, multilateral and development actors, and other actors is necessary to refine and deliver a comprehensive response to forced displacement;
- 4. Calling upon likeminded businesses, private stakeholders and non-state institutions elsewhere to join these efforts.

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