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UK National Contact Point Follow up Statement

The UK National Contact Point for the OECD (NCP) today marks the final stage of its review into G4S's business in Israel with the publication of its Follow up Statement.

After a 17 month investigation beginning in 2014, the NCP stated clearly in its Final Statement in June 2015, that:

"The UK NCP has not found any general failure by the company to respect the human rights of the people on whose behalf the complaint is made, or any failure to respect human rights in regard to its own operations."

In the same Final Statement the NCP also stated that:

"None of the information reviewed by the UK NCP suggested that G4S staff or equipment play a direct part in these [human rights] impacts."

The NCP today acknowledges that G4S satisfies its requirement to include the assessment of human rights risks and the application of mitigations in the company's processes.

The Follow up Statement also reiterates two requirements regarding how the company works with business partners in Israel, for example by *"lobbying immediate business partners and/or government and legal representatives"* to mitigate potential human rights impacts and that the company should communicate to stakeholders and business partners any actions it is taking. G4S will continue to do this to the extent permitted by the contractual arrangements, laws and regulations under which it operates.

In response to the NCP's Follow up Statement, Debbie Walker, G4S Corporate Affairs Director said:

"G4S Israel operates a responsible business that complies with local and international laws and respects human rights. G4S is pleased that, following an extensive review, the NCP confirmed that it has not found any failure to respect human rights in regard to G4S Israel's operations."

"G4S takes its human rights obligations seriously and is committed to respecting and supporting the rights of those who live and work in the communities where we operate. The group supports the UN Global Compact and has worked to embed the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights into its organisation since 2013."

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G4S & Human Rights

In 2013 the company launched an integrated human rights framework and mitigation programme. This was designed to ensure that human rights considerations are embedded in business processes and practices, and that the company's activities help people to realise their rights and ensure that any potential human rights risks are mitigated.

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