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Venue of the 60th and 61st Commission meetings

Note by the Secretary-General

In this document, the Secretary-General informs the Members of the Commission that the sixtieth Commission Meeting for Africa will take place in the framework of the twenty-second session of the UNWTO General Assembly, Chengdu, China, in September 2017.

Point for decision:

The Members of the Commission, who are interested in hosting the Sixty-first Commission Meeting, are invited to inform the Commission for decision.
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EXPRESSION OF INTENT TO HOST THE 61ST UNITED NATIONS
WORLD TOURISM ORGANIZATION (UNWTO) COMMISSION FOR
AFRICA (CAF) MEETING IN 2018

It is with great pleasure that I submit this Letter of Intent to formerly notify
the Secretariat of the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) of
Nigeria’s intent to host the 61st UNWTO Commission for Africa (CAF) meeting in
2018.

2. Our chosen city for the meeting is the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja and
the venue is the Transcorp Hilton, Abuja. The Transcorp Hilton is strategically
located in Abuja’s capital city and is located just 25 minutes from the Abuja
International Airport. This purpose built venue has to date hosted over 5,000
events and conferences including the 47th UNWTO CAF meeting in 2008.

3. I would like to state that Nigeria’s membership of the UNWTO since 1975
has exposed the country to the workings of the Organization and some of the best
global tourism trends and practices. This has translated in active participation in
the activities and programmes of the UNWTO, greater awareness of Nigeria’s
tourism potentials and increased support of the sector by the Government.
4. In view of the positive developments of tourism in Nigeria, it is therefore my intention to present Nigeria’s intent to host the 61st UNWTO CAF meeting in 2018. I am very optimistic that this will continue to challenge us to play a more prominent role in the growth of the country’s tourism industry and also open the country to potential investors.

5. We look forward to Nigeria being given the opportunity to host the 49 Africa Member States for the 61st UNWTO Commission for Africa in 2018.

6. Your kind consideration of this notice and the circulation of it to other Member States will be deeply appreciated.

7. Please accept the assurances of my highest regards.

Lai Mohammed
Honourable Minister