



## Model credentials letter for representation (proxy format)<sup>1</sup>

### Standard format letter<sup>2</sup>

*Official letter-headed paper<sup>3</sup>*

### **Credentials (for representation-proxy format)**

I, the undersigned, (name and full title of the competent authority<sup>4</sup>), will be unable to attend the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly of the World Tourism Organization, to be held from 30 November to 3 December 2021, in Madrid, Spain for the following reasons<sup>5</sup>: ..... Therefore, I hereby authorize (name and full title of delegate<sup>6</sup>) of the delegation of (name of Full Member) to represent and to cast a vote<sup>7</sup> on behalf of the Government of (name of Full Member) at the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly of the World Tourism Organization:

Done at (*name of city*), on (*date*)

Name, full title and signature

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<sup>1</sup> If a Full Member is unable to participate in the General Assembly, it can be represented exceptionally by a member of another State's delegation, provided it submits a formal letter or fax signed by the competent authority designating the individual who will represent the State and, if applicable, giving him/her the power to vote on its behalf.

<sup>2</sup> Only formal letters or faxes bearing the signature of the competent authority are considered valid credentials. Further, credentials can be accepted only if written in any of the working languages of the General Assembly or if an appropriate translation is attached.

<sup>3</sup> Including official logo of the Government, Ministry or Embassy.

<sup>4</sup> Pursuant to resolution 591(XIX), only credentials issued and signed by Heads of State or Prime Ministers, Ministers of Foreign Affairs or Ministers responsible for tourism of the respective State or his/her equivalent, as well as Ambassadors of States accredited to Spain, will be regarded as valid.

<sup>5</sup> In accordance with resolution 633(XX), (a) a mandate for representation can be given only in exceptional circumstances, duly explained in writing by the State giving the mandate, and (b) the Credentials Committee will assess the validity of these explanations.

<sup>6</sup> In accordance with resolution 633(XX), (c) only one mandate for representation may be given to a delegate representing another State, and (d) a mandate for representation may not be given to the Head of Delegation of another State.

<sup>7</sup> Please note that, unless the items for which the power to vote is given are clearly specified, it will be understood that the delegate has full powers to cast a vote on behalf of the Government he/she is representing by proxy on any agenda item. Please also note that in accordance with resolution 649 (XXI), the Credentials Committee will consider as invalid credentials or proxies in breach of the principle of secrecy of the vote.