(Model application to join the Association **International Network of Emigrant Towns and European Post-Colonial Heritage** -, which supports the Council of Europe Cultural Route project named “**European Post-Colonial Heritage**”)

Mr/Mrs (*name of the person*), representing the institution (*name of the institution*), of (*address and postal code*), whose identification number is (*ID number*)

**CERTIFIES:**

that (*name of institution*), in its meeting held on (*date*), among other matters,

reached the following Agreement:

**PROPOSAL OF AGREEMENT TO AUTHORISE THE PARTICIPATION OF (*NAME OF INSTITUTION*) IN THE INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF EMIGRANT TOWNS AND EUROPEAN POST-COLONIAL HERITAGE AND IN THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE CULTURAL ROUTE PROJECT “EUROPEAN POST-COLONIAL HERITAGE”**

Considering that:

1. The European Post-colonial Heritage occupy a pre-eminent place within European Cultural Heritage, of outstanding cultural, artistic and scientific value.

2. Equally, the administrations with responsibilities in European municipalities, regions and countries have granted the maximum protection to the European Post-colonial Heritage, in their awareness of its importance.

3. In order to combine efforts and benefit from synergies in the consolidation of a model of conservation and dissemination of the European Post-colonial Heritage in the geographical areas involved, whilst at the same time promoting these expressions as high-quality cultural tourism destinations, in 2018 the INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF EMIGRANT TOWNS AND EUROPEAN POST-COLONIAL HERITAGE was established.

4. Subsequently, in 2018 the institutions forming the INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF EMIGRANT TOWNS AND EUROPEAN POST-COLONIAL HERITAGE have initiated the procedure to apply to the Council of Europe for the award of European Cultural Route for the ensemble of elements of the European Post-colonial Heritage from the places/regions in the network.

5. A European Cultural Route is a route which encompasses one or several countries or regions and which is organised around a topic whose historical, artistic and cultural interest is clearly European, either because of its geographic location or because of its contents and meaning. In the present case, the future Cultural Route “European Post-colonial Heritage” aims to conserve, make known, disseminate and facilitate visits to the legacy remaining in the European places where this heritage is preserved.

6. The route consists of places in Europe of acknowledged historical, scientific, artistic and cultural interest, as well as museums or similar centres oriented to promote or support the preservation of this heritage.

7. This Cultural Route project is the ideal opportunity to disseminate and make known the Post-colonial Heritage belonging to it, as this platform grants them visibility at European and even world level.

8. In accordance with the aims of (*name of institution*), the above considerations fully match its objectives, interests and activities, and therefore, in the exercise of the responsibilities of (*name of institution*) and after analysing the above, particularly the general interest of conserving, disseminating and attracting visitors to the European Post-colonial Heritage, it is deemed advantageous for (*name of institution*) to take an active part in this initiative and that the place of (*names of places in the area in which the institution acts*) should be included as points of interest in the new European Cultural Route “European Post-colonial Heritage” where it crosses our region.

9. To take part in this project, (*name of institution*) believes it should become a member of the Association “INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF EMIGRANT TOWNS AND EUROPEAN POST-COLONIAL HERITAGE”, the organisation in charge of the management, coordination and implementation of the activities of this new European Cultural Route.

10. (Other considerations if it’s necessary)

In consequence, the governing body of (*name of institution*), on the proposal of (*the corresponding person*) and after due deliberation, has reached the following

AGREEMENT:

First: To express its approval that the Post-colonial Heritage in the (*country, region, district or place*) in which the (*name of institution*) is active should be included in the European Cultural Route project “European Post-colonial Heritage”.

Second: To authorise the participation of (*name of institution*) as a full member of the Association “INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF EMIGRANT TOWNS AND EUROPEAN POST-COLONIAL HERITAGE”, the organisation in charge of managing the Council of Europe Cultural Route project “European Post-colonial Heritage”.

Third: To designate (*name of person*) as its representative to act in the name of the (*name of institution*) in the INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF EMIGRANT TOWNS AND EUROPEAN POST-COLONIAL HERITAGE and to carry out all the actions and procedures necessary to make effective the participation of (*name of institution*) in this association.

In witness thereof, I hereby issue this certificate in (*place*) on (*date*)

Signed by… (signature and official stamp) :