



Notice for the establishment of foreign legal entities in the Mexican Republic to provide services

What does it consist of?

Foreign legal entities incorporated in accordance with the laws of the Members of the World Trade Organization which intend to set up branch or representative offices in the Mexican Republic in order to provide a service, as stated in the General Agreement on Trade in Services, shall not be subject to the authorization mentioned in the Article 17 of the Foreign Investment Law as long as they submit a written notice under penalty of perjury.

To whom it is targeted?

Foreign legal entities incorporated in accordance with the laws of the Members of the World Trade Organization. [See Annex].

Where is it conducted?

At the Direction of Legal Affairs and the Foreign Investment National Commission of the General Directorate of Foreign Investment, which is located in Insurgentes Sur 1940, 8th Floor, Florida, Alvaro Obregon, 01030, Mexico City. The reception hours are from Monday to Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

It can also be carried out through the State Delegations and Sub-delegations of the Secretariat of Economy, which shall receive the request and shall send it to the Direction of Legal Affairs and the Foreign Investment National Commission.

Likewise, it can be submitted online via the System of Legal Affairs for Foreign Investment (<http://sajie.economia.gob.mx>), with a valid e-mail account and an e.firma (formerly known as advanced electronic signature).

Which are the requirements?

1. Original and copy of the written notice under penalty of perjury, which shall include:
 - i. Name of the requesting foreign legal entity;
 - ii. Name of the representative of the foreign legal entity;
 - iii. Address to hear and receive notices, and if applicable the persons who can receive them on behalf of the foreign legal entity;
 - iv. Statement under penalty of perjury comprising:
 - a) That its social contract and any other incorporation document does not infringe the law and order;
 - b) The main activity intended to be carried out in the national territory (which must comply with the provisions of articles 5, 6, 7 and 8 of the *Foreign Investment Law*);
 - c) That the legal entity was incorporated in accordance with the laws of its country of origin (indicate the name of the country);
 - d) The corresponding address in the case of the establishment of an agency or branch (to carry out commercial activities), and
 - e) The corresponding name and address of the representative residing in the Mexican Republic authorized to meet the liabilities of the foreign legal entity, in the case of the establishment of representative offices.
 - v. Place and date of the request, and
 - vi. Signature of the representative or the person acting on behalf of the foreign legal entity.

2. Public instrument that expresses the representation of the legal entity on behalf of the person who submits the notice, or, if applicable, power of attorney granted before a public notary duly legalized or apostilled.

If the documents are written in language other than Spanish, these must be translated into Spanish by a certified expert translator. The full text of the document must be translated, including the apostille. In the case the power of attorney is written simultaneously in Spanish and in other language, the translation is necessary for the sections written in language other than Spanish, such as the apostille.

Maximum response time

Immediately.

Payment of duties

Not applicable.

Legal Foundation

[General Resolution which extends the criteria set forth in the application of Article 17 of the Foreign Investment Law regarding the establishment of foreign legal entities in Mexico](#), published in the Official Gazette on May 13, 2014

Articles 17, sections I and II and 17-A of the *Foreign Investment Law*, 21 *Regulation of the Foreign Investment Law and the Foreign Investment National Registry*, article 2,736 of the *Federal Civil Code*, 250 and 251 of the *General Law of Commercial Companies*.

What happens once the authorization is approved?

1. It is enough to submit the authorization containing the stamp and date of receipt, as well as the corresponding folio number granted by the Secretariat of Economy, before the Public Registry of Commerce in order to be registered; or, if applicable, to establish representative offices in the Mexican Republic.
2. In the case of foreign legal entities which intend to carry out commercial activities, they shall submit this authorization before the Foreign Investment National Registry in order to be registered.

Annex

1. Islamic Republic of Afghanistan
2. Republic of Albania
3. Federal Republic of Germany
4. Republic of Angola
5. Antigua and Barbuda
6. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
7. Republic of Argentina
8. Republic of Armenia
9. Australia
10. Republic of Austria
11. Kingdom of Bahrain
12. People's Republic of Bangladesh
13. Barbados
14. Kingdom of Belgium
15. Belize
16. Republic of Benin
17. Republic of Bolivia
18. Republic of Botswana
19. Federative Republic of Brazil
20. Sultanate of Brunei Darussalam
21. Republic of Bulgaria
22. Burkina Faso (formerly Upper Volta)
23. Republic of Burundi
24. Republic of Cape Verde
25. State of Cambodia
26. Republic of Cameroon
27. Canada
28. Republic of Chad
29. Republic of Chile
30. People's Republic of China
31. Republic of Cyprus
32. Republic of Colombia
33. Republic of Congo
34. Republic of Korea
35. Republic of Costa Rica
36. Republic of Cote d'Ivoire
37. Republic of Croatia
38. Republic of Cuba
39. Kingdom of Denmark
40. Republic of Djibouti

41. Commonwealth of Dominica
42. Republic of Ecuador
43. Arab Republic of Egypt
44. Republic of El Salvador
45. United Arab Emirates
46. Republic of Slovenia
47. Kingdom of Spain
48. Kingdom of eSwatini
49. United States of America
50. Republic of Estonia
51. Republic of Macedonia
52. Russian Federation
53. Republic of Fiji
54. Republic of the Philippines
55. Republic of Finland
56. French Republic
57. Gabon Republic
58. Republic of Gambia
59. Georgia
60. Republic of Ghana
61. Grenada
62. Republic of Guatemala
63. Republic of Guinea
64. Republic of Guinea-Bissau
65. Cooperative Republic of Guyana
66. Republic of Haiti
67. Hellenic Republic
68. Republic of Honduras
69. Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
70. Republic of Hungary
71. Republic of India
72. Republic of Indonesia
73. Ireland
74. Republic of Iceland
75. Solomon Islands
76. State of Israel
77. Italian Republic
78. Jamaica
79. Japan
80. Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
81. Republic of Kenya
82. State of Kuwait
83. Kingdom of Lesotho
84. Republic of Latvia

85. Republic of Liberia
86. Principality of Liechtenstein
87. Republic of Lithuania
88. Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
89. Republic of Madagascar
90. Macau Special Administrative Region
91. Malaysia
92. Republic of Malawi
93. Republic of Maldives
94. Republic of Mali
95. Republic of Malta
96. Kingdom of Morocco
97. Republic of Mauritius
98. Islamic Republic of Mauritania
99. Republic of Moldova
100. Republic of Mongolia
101. Republic of Montenegro
102. Republic of Mozambique
103. Republic of the Union of Myanmar
104. Republic of Namibia
105. Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal
106. Republic of Nicaragua
107. Federal Republic of Nigeria
108. Republic of Niger
109. Kingdom of Norway
110. New Zealand
111. Sultanate of Oman
112. Kingdom of the Netherlands
113. Islamic Republic of Pakistan
114. Republic of Panama
115. Papua New Guinea
116. Republic of Paraguay
117. Republic of Peru
118. Republic of Poland
119. Portuguese Republic
120. State of Qatar
121. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
122. Central African Republic
123. Czech Republic
124. Democratic Republic of Congo

125. Lao People's Democratic Republic
126. Dominican Republic
127. Slovak Republic
128. Republic of Kyrgyzstan
129. Republic of Kazakhstan
130. Romania
131. Republic of Rwanda
132. Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis
133. Sovereign State of Samoa
134. St. Lucia
135. St. Vincent and the Grenadines
136. Republic of Senegal
137. Sierra Leone
138. Republic of Singapore
139. Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka
140. Republic of South Africa
141. Kingdom of Sweden
142. Swiss Confederation
143. Suriname
144. Republic of Seychelles
145. Kingdom of Swaziland
146. Kingdom of Thailand
147. Distinguished Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu (Chinese Taipei)
148. United Republic of Tanzania
149. Republic of Tajikistan
150. Kingdom of Tonga
151. Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
152. Republic of Tunisia
153. Republic of Turkey
154. Ukraine
155. Republic of Uganda
156. European Union
157. Eastern Republic of Uruguay
158. Republic of Vanuatu
159. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
160. Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
161. Republic of Yemen
162. Republic of Zambia



163. Republic of
Zimbabwe