# [SAMPLE LETTER OF CREDENTIALS]

**Memorandum of Understanding**

**on the Conservation OF MIGRATORY Sharks**

**(Sharks MOU)**

In the name of the Government of [*name of country*], the undersigned [*name of the Minister*]

[*Ministry[[1]](#footnote-1)*], hereby appoints:

[*Full Name of Representative*], [*Title*], [*Organization*]

to represent the Government of [*name of country*] at the Fourth Meeting of Signatories (MOS4) of the Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation of Migratory Sharks (Sharks MOU), to be held in Bonn, Germany, from 28 February to 2 March 2023.

The said representative is fully authorized to take part in the meeting, to transact all such matters as may pertain to its work, and to vote with the other representatives in accordance with the agreed procedures on behalf of the Government of [*name of country*].

In witness whereof, I, [*name of Minister*], have signed this Letter of Credentials and have affixed hereto my official seal.

Done in [*City*], *[Date]*

*[Signature]*

*[Official Seal[[2]](#footnote-2)]*

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1. ROP Rule 8: “…. Head of State, Head of Government, Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Minister or Deputy of the focal Ministry/Authority for the MOU or their designee, or the competent authority of any regional economic integration organization (REIO).”

For the purpose of interpreting this Rule, in the case of the European Union “competent authority” means the President of the European Commission or the Commissioner responsible for the Sharks MoU. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. This document must bear a seal or be printed on headed notepaper, in order to unambiguously indicate that the Credentials have been issued by the appropriate authority. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)