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June 18, 2025

US Embassy in Abuja,
Plot 1075 Diplomatic Drive
Central District Area, Abuja, Nigeria

Dear Consular General or Consular Chief,

I am writing you today in support of the VISA application of the following individual:

1. **Hajara Umar Abdullahi** – Director of Administration AMAC
AMAC Secretariat Complex
Area 10 Olusegun Obasanjo Way
Abuja FCT Nigeria.

This individual is from Abuja, Nigeria who is being invited to travel to the City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin in the United States as part of a delegation to participate in activities related to the sister city relationship between Abuja, Nigeria and the City of Milwaukee. As part of the delegation, they plan to depart on August 2, 2025 to Milwaukee and spend 4 days in Milwaukee to engage in various visits with City and sector agencies and officials. They have arranged meetings with the Vice Chancellor from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee Fire Chief, Milwaukee Mayor, team of medical doctors in Wisconsin, and with the local sister city relationship sponsoring agency Milwaukee Action Network, Inc. The delegation will then travel and spend 2 days in Chicago, Illinois and 2 days in Atlanta, Georgia.

The City of Milwaukee invites and supports this individual to visit Milwaukee for the purposes aforementioned as part of the sister city relationship activities between the two cities. The City of Milwaukee has a current sister city relationship with the City of Abuja, Nigeria. The sister city relationship was formally established with a signed agreement between the two cities on December 13, 2023 for the purposes of promoting peace, through citizen diplomacy and partnerships, and a long-term, cooperative relationship between the two cities for cultural, educational, business, and other exchanges to take place.

All hotel accommodations, airline tickets, and travel expenses with regards to any delegation traveling from Abuja to Milwaukee will not involve any Milwaukee city funds. No Milwaukee

city funds shall be used for travel expenses by city officials in connection with any sister city or friendly exchange relationship according to the Milwaukee Code of Ordinance Chapter 335.

The City of Milwaukee Sister Cities Committee is created to assist the City, through its Common Council, with the establishment and maintenance of sister city relationships pursuant to Sister Cities International regulations through nonprofit, volunteer based organizations that organize and implement cooperative programs in education, arts, business, and municipal and technical exchanges with Milwaukee's sister cities around the world to collaborate on programs of mutual benefit to our city and its partners. We are also members of the Sister Cities International network, one of the largest citizen diplomacy networks in the world.

Sister Cities International is a nonprofit citizen diplomacy network that creates and strengthens partnerships between U.S. and International communities. With a network of over 2,000 cities in 146 countries all over the world, we strive to build global cooperation at the municipal level, promote cultural understanding and stimulate economic development.

I appreciate any consideration your office can give to this delegate from Abuja, Nigeria and would encourage you to contact us if you have any concerns. Thank you again for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Russell W. Stamper, II', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ald. Russell W. Stamper, II, Chair
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CC: CCFN 230568