## **Authorisation to release confidential information**

[The	letterhe	ead of owner of ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■	
To: [	name]		
[add	ress]		
Subj	ject: Aı	thorisation to release confidential information	
Dear	Sir,		
agre infor	ed to m mation	//our] agreement dated [date] and signed by [signatory] in which you aintain confidentiality. I now authorise you to release certain confidential ("Disclosed Information") referred to in that document, in the terms set	
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1.	The Disclosed Information is limited to the following ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■		
	1.1.	[Financial capacity of the company];	
	1.2.	[assets of the company];	
	1.3.	[mergers and takeovers];	
	1.4.	[Intellectual property etc.];	
	1.5.	[other]	
	[List,		
2.		may disclose the Disclosed Information to: [list = = = , = = = = = =	
		,,,	
3.	The Disclosed Information		
	3.1	[discussion	
	3.2	[briefing an employee with respect to work];	

	3.3 [Other]				
4.					
5.	This authorisation shall remain valid until [date].				
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From:	[name of the disclosing party]				
Signat	ure				
[Director]					
Acknowledgement					
	• • • .				
From:					
Signat	ure				
[Direct					

# **Explanatory notes:**

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### **General notes:**

1.	For the	his letter to be valid, ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ :	
	•	Refer to the original agreement;	
	•	Be dated either as a letter, or ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ;	
	•	Be signed by the person promising confidentiality;	
	•	Identify the subject matter of the confidentiality ( ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■	
	•	Be addressed to the person or ••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	
2.	What form should the letter take? Who • • • • • • • • • ? • • • • • • • • •		
	2.1.	If you are dealing with someone you have never met, you have to find a way of making sure he is who he says he is. That ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■	
	2.2.	If your "other side" is a company, find a senior ■ ■ ■ . ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■	

# Paragraph specific notes:

Note: numbering refers to paragraph numbers.

The disclosure of confidential information to the recipient you wish to disclose may vary from case to case basis and therefore it is advisable to identify who do you want to disclose the information to and for what purpose. This will ensure that the information is not released to the wrong person or is used for an unintended purpose.

- It is advisable to decide and define exactly what information you want to release to the other party. Also it is advisable to issue multiple authorisation letters for specific information rather than a general authorisation letter for all kind of confidential information because issuing such general authorisation letter will greatly dilute any security of your confidential information ensured by any confidentiality of non-disclosure agreement that you may executed with the other party.
- It is essential that you put a definite date for validity of authorisation to ensure that it is not misused by the receiving party at a later date, say after the date of termination of your agreement with them or after some breach on part of the other party.

#### **End of notes**