

[Date]

[Client Name]

[Client Address]

[City, Country, Postcode]

## **Re: Initial Assessment of Cross-Border Assets and International Estate Planning**

Dear [Client Name],

Following our recent consultation, this letter outlines the preliminary considerations regarding your international estate planning and the management of assets located in multiple jurisdictions.

### **1. Identification of Foreign Assets**

We have identified the following assets held outside of your primary country of residence:

- [Asset Type / Property Address] located in [Country]
- [Financial Account / Investment] held in [Country]
- [Business Interest] registered in [Country]

### **2. Jurisdiction and Governing Law**

Each jurisdiction has specific laws regarding succession, forced heirship, and probate. It is essential to determine whether your current Will is recognized in [Country A] and [Country B], or if separate "Situs Wills" are required to govern assets in those specific regions.

### **3. International Tax Implications**

We must evaluate potential tax liabilities, including:

- Estate or Inheritance Tax in both the home and host countries.
- Applicability of Double Taxation Treaties to prevent redundant taxation.
- Capital Gains Tax considerations upon the transfer of foreign property.

### **4. Regulatory Compliance**

Cross-border planning requires compliance with reporting standards such as the Common Reporting Standard (CRS) and the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA), where applicable.

### **5. Next Steps**

To proceed, we require the following documentation:

- Copies of title deeds for foreign real estate.
- Most recent statements for international financial accounts.
- Contact details for your legal or tax advisors in [Foreign Jurisdiction].

We will schedule a follow-up meeting once these documents are reviewed to finalize your comprehensive global estate strategy.

Yours sincerely,

[Your Name/Signature]  
[Your Firm Name]