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## **CIRCULAR No. 8**

To: Chairpersons, Executive Directors, International Commissioners, and all members from the National Boards of the National Scout Associations of the Interamerican Region.

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### **27<sup>th</sup> Interamerican Scout Conference, 27 November to 1st December 2018, Panama**

#### **Information about the official travel agency for the 6th. Interamerican Scout Youth Forum and the 27th. Interamerican Scout Conference, Panama 2018.**

Dear friends in Scouting:

With the aim of having the widest possible participation from all the NSOs of the region in our events, helping them to save costs on their travel and looking for the best advantages and possible benefits, the World Scout Bureau – Interamerica Support Centre has arranged an agreement with the renowned Travel Agency Terra Nova, a member of the group L'Alianza [www.novaterra.travel](http://www.novaterra.travel)

Nova Terra is one of the largest travel agencies in Panama, has a long history and recognized solvency, in addition to having excellent relations with all airlines operating to and from Panama.

On the other hand, and as you all know, the World Scout Bureau – Interamerica Support Centre, has in the Republic of Panama the diplomatic status as "International Organization", thanks to the courtesy and good practices of its National Government. This important recognition in addition to help in positioning the Scout Movement within the community of organizations, agencies and international institutions, also gives some tax benefits, which have been coordinated to be implemented through the official travel agency of the event and that way they can be used by participants attending to the Youth Forum and/or the Conference.

Specifically, the benefits offered by the travel agency are:


1. 15% discount on airfares published by Copa Airlines when purchasing the tickets.
2. A 50 Thousand US \$ life insurance policy free, for the people who buy their airline tickets through the travel agency, which covers the accidental loss of the insured's life in-flight commercial airline scheduled (terms and conditions apply as stipulated by the travel agency and your insurance company. For further information, please contact directly the travel agency.)
3. Exemption of taxes applicable by the Republic of Panama.
4. Personalized attention and assistance to the passenger, 24-hour emergency phone.

Nova Terra has designated as its representative and executive for our events Miss Wendy Maxwell, who can be contacted by writing to the following email address: [wendy@novaterra.travel](mailto:wendy@novaterra.travel), mentioning your interest to participate in our regional events (Youth Forum and/or Regional Conference). She will gladly help you to access the before mentioned benefits.

It is timely to remember that to participate in regional events it is a requirement, having an international insurance that will cover accidents and unexpected events during trips, which is a best practice within the NSOs when organizing delegations to international events. The implementation of this practice was of high importance in our recent Interamerican Scout Moot, where it helped many of the participants and their delegations to deal with major health situations, including surgical interventions of emergency. We insist on this obligation for your participation, whether at the Youth Forum and/or the Conference. Please take the same estimates and hire your respective insurance with the required anticipation. In this sense, we inform you that the travel agency Terra Nova is a representative in Panama of Assist Card, an international company specialized in providing emergency services and assistance for travellers. In case you are interested in this type of services, you can ask Miss Maxwell.

We hope this information becomes helpful and will support all to get the best way to our Youth Forum and to our Regional Conference. We are waiting for you.

Yours in Scouting

  
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