

Power of attorney / Voting Form
for holders of ordinary bearer shares / depositary receipts of ordinary shares A in bearer form

for the **Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Corporate Express N.V.**

Which will be held on Monday 29 September 2008 at 10 a.m. at the offices of Corporate Express N.V., Hoogoorddreef 62 in Amsterdam

The undersigned,

Name and initials :

Place, zipcode and country :

certifies that he or she has given timely notification to his or her bank with respect to the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Corporate Express N.V. to be held on 29 September 2008 at 10 a.m. and is holder of [number] *ordinary bearer shares* and/or [amount]
depositary receipts of preference shares A in bearer form and herewith grants a power of attorney to: [please tick one of the following boxes]:

- Mr. / Mrs. Ms. [name] [place, zipcode and country]
- Mrs. Mr H. van der Kooij, company secretary of Corporate Express N.V. (*for ordinary shares and/or depositary receipts*)
- The board of Stichting Administratiekantoor van Preferente Aandelen Corporate Express (*for depositary receipt only*)

to represent the undersigned at the above mentioned meeting and all adjournments thereof, and in particular to exercise all rights on behalf of the undersigned, which the undersigned could have exercised if he or she be present.

By signing this form the undersigned indicates not to be personally present at the General Meeting of Shareholders but to be represented by the person mentioned above.

This form needs to be received by AMRO Servicedesk, (Kemelstede 2, 4817 ST Breda, The Netherlands, servicedesk.beleggen@nl.abnamro.com / phone +31 76 579 94 55 / fax +31 10 26 44 651) respectively by the Executive Board of Corporate Express N.V., marina.koster@cexpgroup.com / fax +31 20 65 11 003 by **24 September 2008 at 5 p.m.** at the latest.

Voting instructions via this form are only possible if you have (a) have registered yours shares/depositary receipts timely at ABN AMRO Servicedesk through your own bank and (b) given proxy to Corporate Express's company secretary, Mrs. H. van der Kooij (for ordinary shares and for depositary receipts), or to the board of Stichting Administratiekantoor van Preferente Aandelen Corporate Express (for depositary receipt only).

If voting instructions are given and if the form has been signed but no proxyholder is appointed, your votes will be cast by Mrs. H. van der Kooij. Non marked blocks are considered as voted 'abstain'

NB: If this form is not duly signed, it will not be processed.



Voting instruction:
(please mark box)

Agenda item **For** **Against** **Abstain**

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Proposal to approve the sale and transfer of the North American business of the Corporate Express group to Staples, Inc as provided in article 2:107a of the Dutch Civil Code.

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City, Country

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Date

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Name and signature shareholder / holder depositary receipts