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To the parents of the participants of our summer camps 2020

Berne, March 25, 2020

CANCELLATION OF THE SUMMER CAMPS 2020 OF THE FOUNDATION FOR YOUNG SWISS ABROAD (FYSA)

In our last letter on 5 March, 2020, we informed you about the current situation regarding the Coronavirus Pandemic. Since then the state of health of the world population has been deteriorating steadily and the measures put in place to slow the spread of the Coronavirus have become more severe. In times like these, it is thus important to appeal to common sense and personal responsibility.

For us as Foundation for young Swiss abroad, the safety of our participants and our camp leaders is our highest priority. **We have therefore decided to cancel all summer camps 2020.** The reasons that have led to take this decision now instead of six weeks prior to the start of the camps, as we had planned to originally, are the following:

- The communal accommodation of our participants in camp houses, where they live in close proximity to one another, facilitates the spread of the virus.
- Regardless of how the spread of the virus develops in Switzerland and the rest of Europe, our participants come from across the world, including from regions where the spread of the virus is commencing with a delay, in comparison to Europe. This increases the risk of youths carrying the virus among our participants.

We have come to this decision with a heavy heart and deeply regret that we cannot welcome young Swiss Abroad in Switzerland this summer.

If you have already transferred the camp fee for this summer to us, please e-mail your complete bank details (full name, personal address, bank name and address, and the corresponding IBAN or bank account number) to info@sjas.ch, so that we can reimburse you.

It is no longer necessary that you send us back the completed questionnaires.

You will receive all information on our summer camps 2021, including the date of registration, by the end of this year.

In the name of the Board of Directors and the Office, we wish you and your family good health and we hope to welcome your children in Switzerland next summer.

On behalf of the Foundation for young Swiss abroad,

Robert Reich
President of the FYSA

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