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To the parents of the participants of
our summer camps 2021

Berne, April 25, 2021

CANCELLATION OF THE SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMPS 2021 FOR CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN 8-14 OF THE FOUNDATION FOR YOUNG SWISS ABROAD (FYSA)

The coronavirus pandemic has cast its shadow over the world for over a year. Every country is doing its best to contain the pandemic. Nonetheless, its impact remains highly visible and tangible all over the world.

Unfortunately, we do not see any noticeable improvement in the situation that would allow us to hold our summer camps for children from all over the world.

We therefore regret to inform you that we have no option but to again cancel the summer holiday camp season 2021 for 8-14-year-old children.

The Board of Directors has come to this decision as the pandemic means the foundation purpose of the FYSA no longer applies: Current (entry) travel conditions make it impossible at this stage for every registered child of the Swiss Abroad to book travel to Switzerland, resulting in inequality among the children attending the camps.

Moreover, we, as a Swiss foundation, will not help the situation by bringing children from all over the world to Switzerland and then sending them back to their countries of residence. The Board of Directors also realised that delaying a decision further would only cause uncertainty and increase the financial risk for parents and the FYSA. The Board of Directors has therefore decided, in everyone's best interests, not to draw out the situation to the set deadline of six weeks prior to each camp, in the hope that people will benefit as a result, albeit not in the way we would have liked.

The Board of Directors and Office deeply regret that we are again unable to welcome the children of Swiss Abroad to Switzerland this summer.

If you have already transferred the summer camp fee to us, please provide us with your full account details (first name, surname and private address of the account holder, name and address of your bank and IBAN number/account number and SWIFT/BIC) at info@sjas.ch, so we can reimburse you the full amount.

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

You will receive all information on our summer camps 2022 (including the new 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.

Robert Reich
President of the FYSA

Loïc Roth
General Manager FYSA