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First name

Signature of YFU Programme Participant PLEASE SIGN EACH COPY

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PROGRAMME FEE



STUDENT NAME: _____
First Name Surname

We, the parents of the above named student, hereby agree to pay the programme fee for our child's YFU South Africa International Exchange programme to _____
(name of country).

We understand that the Programme Fee includes the following services: Administrative costs incurred by sending organization; student recruitment and selection process; pre-departure student preparation, incl. pre-departure orientation; international travel expenses (return air ticket); international travel and health insurance; administrative costs incurred by hosting organization; host family recruitment and selection; meet and greet at the final arrival airport in host country; post-arrival orientation; domestic travel to host family; regular student support and counselling; emergency support; school fees (if applicable); mid-year orientation (for 12-month academic program); end-of-year orientation and post-programme orientation after arrival back in home country (for 12-month academic program).

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PROGRAMME FEE (cont.)

STUDENT NAME: _____
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> First Name Surname </div>

Please choose one of the following options for payment of the programme fee by marking one box (A, B or C):

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B
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We would like to apply for Scholarship Aid.

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***** Please note that a separate payment agreement stating the terms and conditions of payment will be drawn up and sent to the parents for signing.**

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Date	Father's / Guardian's Signature	Date	Mother's / Guardian's Signature
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Declaration in case option C (application for scholarship aid) has been chosen:

*We hereby apply for scholarship aid for our child's programme fee. We understand that YFU South Africa has very limited resources available for offering scholarship aid, and that such aid can only be considered in cases of **PROVEN** financial difficulties. We also understand that final approval of our application for scholarship aid is at the discretion of YFU South Africa and that our child's positive selection for participation in the YFU exchange programme does not automatically guarantee qualification for scholarship aid. We furthermore understand that selection and approval of our application for scholarship aid will only be considered if the **following documents are provided as soon as possible**:*

(i) The latest 2 bank statements of both parents / legal guardians;
(ii) A letter from the employers (on letter-head with contact numbers of employers) of both parents or legal guardians in which the monthly gross salary is confirmed.

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Date	Father's / Guardian's Signature	Date	Mother's / Guardian's Signature
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CHECKLIST:

- Forms A1-A3, B1-B3, C1-C2, D and E (BUNDLE 1) have been handed to my YFU representative;
- Forms F AND G (BUNDLE 2) are filled in, signed and complete;
- Latest two **school reports** as well as confidential evaluation from my school have been handed in together with Bundle 1;
- I have included 6 ID size photos of myself and 3 photos of me, my family and friends

FOR THE VISA APPLICATION PROCESS, YOU NEED TO APPLY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- I am already in possession of a passport or have already applied for a passport;
- I have included a copy of my passport or the receipt for application;
- I have a police clearance certificate or have applied for one and copy of receipt has been included or sent to the office;
- I have applied for an **UNABRIDGED** birth certificate at Home Affairs (*this can take a long time – make sure to apply as soon as possible!!*)
- My parents have already applied for a **LEGALISED** marriage certificate (NB: it must be legalised at a High Court.... if unsure, please contact the YFU office for information)
- I have already started the visa application process;

Name of student: _____

Signed: _____