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Association Gestionnaire Extra-Scolaire des Sections Internationales
De l'Académie d'Aix-Marseille

Lycée Georges Duby - 13080 Luynes

Paris Model United Nations, PAMUN

30 November - 2 December 2018

TO THE STUDENTS' PARENTS AND STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE DEBATE CLUB

Dear parents, dear students,

As part of the Debate Club, organised by AGESSIA, the association proposes to take a group of twelve students to the **Paris MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE** which will take place on Friday, 30th November through to Sunday, 2nd December 2018. Our students will be accompanied by Mr Lewis and Mme Laget and the delegation will leave for Paris on the afternoon of Thursday, 29th November. **Please note that our Paris MUN delegates will need to be members of AGESSIA for 2018/19.**

Model United Nations conferences are authentic simulations of the United Nations General Assembly and its committees, which catapult students into the world of diplomacy and negotiation. In Model UN, students step into the shoes of ambassadors of UN member states, from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe, to debate the current issues on the organisation's vast agenda. The students, who are referred to as 'delegates', debate and seek to resolve conflicts, while navigating the UN complex "rules of procedure."

The benefits of this learning experience are tremendous as students are encouraged to develop skills that will be useful to them throughout their lives: researching and analyzing, writing, public speaking, problem solving, involving themselves in consensus building, conflict resolution, co-operation and compromise and leadership. A certificate of attendance, which specifies if the students performed with distinction, will be a valuable addition to his/her school report and will impress on a university application.

The delegation will be leaving from school on Thursday 29th November, late afternoon. The conference begins on the morning of Friday, 30th November and will take place at Palais de la Mutualité, Paris 5e. The conference will end on Sunday, 2nd December at 13h00 and we will aim to arrive back at Aix TGV station at approximately 18h00. More details will follow.

Each delegate will be asked to pay AGESSIA approximately **€550 euros** (the exact cost to be confirmed) which will cover delegate registration, school registration, hotel, breakfast and train travel. On top of this will be the three snack lunches during the conference and the three evening meals.

Please note that the dress code of the conference is quite formal: ladies: business outfits; gentlemen: this is the perfect opportunity to wear your suits!

Students who enrol for Paris MUN are invited to prepare for the upcoming weekend debating conference by attending the **MUN Club** - Mrs Bretelle and Mrs Byrnes will be there to instruct and advise.

If you wish your child to join us for the Paris MUN weekend conference, would you please complete the form below and bring it to the Section Anglophone office (Room 307) **no later than Friday, 14th September 2018 with a cheque for €250 made out to "AGESSIA."** This will be the initial deposit.

Best regards,

Mme Caroline Bretelle, Mme Julia Byrnes, Mr David Lewis, DEBATE CLUB organisers.

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Paris MUN 2018 REPLY SLIP

(please return by hand to Room 307 au lycée before 14/09/2018)

I, legal guardian for the student

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wish to sign up the above student to the Paris MUN conference, 30th November - 2nd December 2018. To this effect I am including a cheque for €250 - the initial deposit which Agessia cannot guarantee will be refunded if the student decides to withdraw- made out to "AGESSIA.". **The final payment of approximately €300 will be due on Wednesday, 17th October.** All correspondence will be by email (please write clearly). Please download and complete the 2018/19 Agessia membership form from Agessia.com. Students who wish to attend MUNs are required to be Agessia members.

Legal guardian's information:

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Date and signature of legal guardian