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Parental/Guardian Consent and Release Form

I, the undersigned, parent or guardian of (Name of Child/Youth)

a minor under eighteen (18) years of age, expressly accept and agree to the following terms and conditions (hereinafter, collectively, the "Release Agreement") in consideration for my child's volunteer participation in the <u>Cornell's High School Model UN Conference</u>, (hereafter called "Program") at Cornell University on <u>April 18th through April 21st, 2024</u>. My child will be chaperoned by their advisors and student members of the Cornell International Affairs Society (CIAS) while participating in a formal, weekend-long debate-style competition. My child will also participate in meals and a dance on Cornell's campus during the weekend. My child will not use any equipment other than computers during this event.

<u>Consent to Participate and Assumption of Risk:</u> I consent to my child's volunteer participation in the Program knowing the potential dangers, hazards, and risks of injury and illness that may arise and that it is not possible to specifically list every individual risk of injury and illness. Risks may include lacerations, broken bones, head/eye injuries, traumatic brain injury, paralysis, back/neck/spine injuries, heart attack, stroke, broken bones, muscle or ligament tears, or death. I agree to assume all risks and responsibilities surrounding my child's volunteer participation in the Program.

<u>Communication with Your Child Should Only Take Place During the Program or Through</u> <u>Parents/Guardians:</u> The program faculty, staff, students, and volunteers are instructed not to communicate with your child outside of the Program without a parent or guardian present. If I become aware of any such unauthorized communication by a Program faculty, staff, student, or volunteer, I will contact <u>youthprogramadministrator@cornell.edu</u> immediately.

<u>Release of Liability for Cornell University</u>: I hereby for myself and on behalf of my heirs, family members, executors, administrators, assigns, personal representative, and next of kin, agree to HOLD HARMLESS, the student organization and Cornell University, their respective trustees, officers, agents, volunteers, and employees (collectively, "Released Parties") from any liabilities, damages, expenses, causes of action, claims, or demands of any nature whatsoever, including any claims of negligence, on account of an accident, personal injury, property damage or even death, however, caused within the scope of this Program.

Assumption of Risk, Waiver, and Release of Liability: I understand and acknowledge that COVID-19 is a global pandemic and a public health risk. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at Cornell University may arise from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself, my child and/or others. I recognize that the University cannot limit all potential sources of COVID-19 infection. I knowingly and voluntarily assume all risks, including but not limited to, the risk of illness, death, bodily injury, disability, or exposure or infection with COVID-19, for myself, my child, and my family. I fully understand the risks, I knowingly and voluntarily waive and release Cornell University trustees, officers, agents, volunteers, employees, and students (the "Released Parties") from all present and future claims of any type, including negligence, for any harm or loss, including but not limited to, economic loss, personal injury, disease, death or property damage suffered by me, my child, or my family, as a result of my child's participation in a Cornell University Program or as a result of my child's presence or my presence on Cornell University's campus (the "Programs"). I agree to indemnify, hold



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harmless, and covenant not to sue the Released Parties for any personal injury, death, medical expenses, disability, loss of capacity, property damage, court costs, attorney's fees, or other loss arising out of the Program activities.

<u>Cornell University Does Not Provide Insurance and Parents Are to Inform Cornell University of Any</u> <u>Special Needs:</u> I understand that Cornell University does not provide any Accident or Medical Insurance with respect to this Program. I am responsible to provide any Accident or Medical Insurance, and it will be my responsibility to pay for emergency room care, doctors' services, hospitalization, and any other related costs, medical or non-medical. I further acknowledge that I will take all precautions that I deem necessary for my child's personal safety and well-being, including, but not limited to, medical precautions as needed prior to the start of this Program. Finally, I promise to inform the student organization and Cornell University about any special needs, my child may have or any precautions the faculty, staff, students, and volunteers must take prior to the start of the first day of the Program.

<u>Theft, Damage, or Loss to Child's Personal Property:</u> I understand that Cornell University is not responsible for any theft, damage or loss to my child's personal property while participating in the Program.

<u>Adherence to Standards:</u> I understand that my child must abide by all laws, regulations, Cornell University procedures, policies, and rules at all times during my child's participation in the Program. I understand that if I permit my child, or if my child chooses to participate in any conduct, excursions, or other activities in violation of Cornell University procedures, policies, and rules prior, during or after the Program, which are not included or part of the scheduled Program, that they do so voluntarily, and that Cornell University is not responsible for my child or my child's actions.

<u>Choice of Law:</u> I agree that this Release Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, without regard to conflicts of laws principles. I agree that any dispute about the terms of this Release shall be presented to a court of competent jurisdiction in the State of New York with a venue in Tompkins County.

<u>Parental/Guardian Certification:</u> I certify that I have read (or had someone read to me) and understand this entire Release Agreement, and understand the dangers involved in participating in this Program. I am fully aware of the legal consequences of this Release Agreement, and I agree to its terms. I represent and warrant that I am eighteen (18) years of age or older and have the legal authority to execute this Release Agreement on behalf of the listed child.

<u>Consent to Recording and Media Release</u>: I do or do not authorize Cornell University to photograph, audio, and/or video record my child during the Program; and use or distribute any pictures, audio, or video recording related to the program, camp, or activity in which my child is depicted without limitation. Cornell University is granted permission to use such materials for educational fund-raising, business activity including submission of grants, and publicity about the program worldwide. I further consent to Cornell University preserving these recordings until four years after my child turns eighteen (18) years of age.



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SIGNATURE: _____

PRINT NAME AND DATE: _____