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To: 2017-18 District 3461 and 3462 Governors

2017-18 District 3461 and 3462 Youth Exchange Chairs

2016-17 District 3460 Governor

2016-17 District 3460 Youth Exchange Chair

Rotary Youth Exchange Multidistrict Taiwan (RYEMT) Chair

Dear District Leaders:

Greetings from Evanston. In looking forward to the next Rotary year and anticipating the changes that you will encounter from redistricting, we wanted to offer some guidance concerning your district's Youth Exchange certification status. Youth Exchange certification supports student safety by establishing minimum requirements for participating Rotary International districts. As newly formed districts constituted from certified district 3460, Districts 3461 and 3462 will be granted provisional status for the 2017-18 Rotary year and may continue to participate in the Youth Exchange program.

During 2017-18, your districts will need to consider several factors to achieve full certification status and continue participating in the program beyond 2017-18:

- <u>Multidistrict Considerations</u>: As District 3460 is a current member of RYEMT, Districts 3461 and 3462 will automatically be opted into membership with the multidistrict. If either district would like to leave the multidistrict, I can provide information on the steps the RI Board requires for this process. Given these changes to its member districts, RYEMT must update its multidistrict legal entity, constitution, by-laws, etc. accordingly.
- <u>Legal Entity and Liability Insurance</u>: Your districts will need to investigate forming a new legal entity and securing a new liability insurance policy to cover Youth Exchange as an activity of the new districts and to protect those volunteers participating in the program from liability arising out of third party claims. It is recommended that you seek local legal and insurance advice for further guidance on establishing such entities. We also recommend contacting your Club and District Support representative to discuss RI policy concerning your districts' legal entities.

Legal entity and liability insurance requirements can also be met through both districts' membership in RYEMT, should the multidistrict have a legal entity and/or liability insurance policy for all member districts. If this is the case, please let me know

• <u>Updated Youth Protection Policy</u>: Districts 3461 and 3462 will need to determine whether they plan to adopt the youth protection policies and procedures established by District 3460, or if they plan to create new policies to meet this requirement. If the districts plan to adopt the existing policy, it will need to be updated with the respective new district numbers and how the new districts will operate, e.g. include any additional local laws that are applicable for conducting criminal background



checks or reporting incidents of abuse or harassment under the new territorial jurisdictions within the new districts.

The youth protection policy can also be adapted through both districts' membership in RYEMT, should the multidistrict employ a single youth protection policy for all member districts. Again, if this is the case, please let me know.

I will contact you again in July 2017 to inquire about your progress. We look forward to working with you as you continue to provide a quality program to the students support by your district. If you have questions or concerns regarding certification or other Youth Exchange matters, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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致: 2017-18 3461 及 3462地區總監

2017-18 3461 及 3462 地區青少年交換主委

2016-17 3460地區總監

2016-17 3460地區青少年交換主委

財團法人國際扶輪青少年交換教育基金會 (RYEMT) 董事長

親愛的地區領導人:

本人於Evanston向各位問候。在期盼下一扶輪年度來臨之際,同時也預期各位因地區重劃所將面臨的變化,我們希望為各位提供一些關於您所屬地區青少年交換認證情形的指引。青少年交換的認證規定針對參與計劃的國際扶輪地區定有最低要求,以保障學生的安全。由於3461 與 3462 地區乃是獲得認證的3460地區劃分後新成立的地區,在2017-18扶輪年度,這兩個新地區將被授與臨時資格,得繼續參與青少年交換計劃。

在 2017-18 年,您所屬地區必須留意考量幾點事項,才能取得完整的認證資格,並於 2017-18 後繼續參與此項計劃:

- 多地區的考量因素:由於 3460 地區為 RYEMT 會員,3461 與 3462 地區也將自動成為這個多地區組織的會員。如果其中一個地區想要 退出這個多地區組織,我可以提供國際扶輪理事會對於這項程序所 規定的步驟說明。當 RYEMT 轄下會員地區有所變更時,RYEMT 必 須辦理其多地區法人組織、章程、組織細則等之變更。
- 法人組織與責任保險: 您所屬地區必須研擬辦理法人登記,並投保新的責任險,將新地區所舉辦的青少年交換計劃納入承保範圍,以確保參與計劃的義工於第三人提起損害賠償請求時免於負擔責任。我們建議您在辦理法人登記時,諮詢當地法律顧問與保險顧問的意見。我們也建議您與扶輪社與地區支援代表 (Club and District Support representative)聯繫,以商討國際扶輪有關您所屬地區法人登記的政策規定。

若RYEMT已具法人資格,且/或已為其轄下所有會員地區投保責任險,則前述兩個地區可透過成為RYEMT會員的方式,藉此來符合法人登記與保險規定的相關要求。若是這種情形,請通知我。

更新青少年保護政策:3461 與3462 地區必須決定是否沿用3460地區 所制定的青少年保護政策與程序,或是計劃制定新的政策以符合此 項要求。若這兩個地區計劃沿用既有政策,則必須將政策中的地區 編號變更為新的地區編號,同時增列有關新地區的運作方式,例如 增加新地區管轄領域內有關刑事犯罪紀錄調查,或是有關侵害或騷 擾案件通報的法令規定。

若RYEMT轄下所有會員地區共同採用相同的青少年保護政策,前述

兩個地區也可透過成為RYEMT會員的方式,採用其青少年保護政策。 若是這種情形,請通知我。

我會於2017年7月再度與您聯繫,詢問進展的情形。我們期望,在各位繼續為所屬地區的學生提供優質計劃時,能與您共同合作。若您有任何關於認證或其他青少年交換的問題,歡迎與我聯繫。

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青少年交换資深專家

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