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SPECIAL WAIVER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FOR STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN OFF-CAMPUS STUDY IN COUNTRIES FOR WHICH A TRAVEL WARNING HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

The U.S. Department of State issues a Travel Warning when it recommends that Americans avoid travel to a particular country or parts of that country. All Colby students, of whatever nationality, who intend to study in a country for which there exists prior to their departure a State Department Travel Warning are required by the College to complete this form to ensure that they are aware of the warning and its recommendations, and of their personal responsibility for the risks. Colby’s approval of participation in the program is not granted unless this form is signed by the student and a parent/legal guardian. The relevant Travel Warning is attached, with a list of all countries under such a warning. The signed form should be detached and returned to Colby’s Off-Campus Study Office no later than the end of the semester before departure.

With my signature below, I acknowledge that:

1. I have read the U.S. Department of State Travel Warning concerning travel by US citizens to the country where I wish to study. In spite of that warning, I have voluntarily and on my own initiative elected to study in that country through the Colby-approved Off-Campus Study Program.

2. I have read, signed, and returned Colby College’s “Release and Hold Harmless Agreement.”

3. I am aware that Colby College discourages students from studying in countries for which there exists a current U.S. State Department Travel Warning.

4. Colby College, including its employees, is not responsible for my health, safety or security while I am in, or traveling to or from the country under a Travel Warning. I fully assume the risks inherent in such travel. I acknowledge that my assumption of the risks arising out of study in a country for which there is a Travel Warning is contractual, and not a mere recital. I also understand that insurance policies may not apply in locations for which a Travel Warning exists.

5. Colby is not obliged to provide academic credit for a partial semester of study or a refund of fees if I decide to leave the country of study before the end of a semester because of safety or security concerns, or for any other reason.

6. Colby College reserves the right to rescind approval of your plans should the situation in the region change prior to your departure.

CAUTION: READ BEFORE SIGNING

___________________________  ___________________________  ___________________________
Student Signature                      Student Name Printed                          Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature                Parent/Guardian Name Printed               Date

Parent’s/guardian’s signature indicates awareness of the student’s plans and of Colby’s policies as outlined above.

Due to Office of Off-Campus Study before student departure for country in question.
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