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## DECLARATION OF CONSENT

of the parent or guardian for the enrolment of your child  
in the **State Europe School Berlin (SESB)**

Name of the enrolled child: \_\_\_\_\_

Attendance at the SESB is subject to the following conditions, which differ from regular German schools and which are binding on all pupils in this educational programme:

- ✓ Half of every class consists of children whose mother tongue is the non-German partner language. In the case of bilingual children, the parents or guardians will recommend which mother tongue their child should be assigned.
- ✓ Approximately half the lessons are held in German, the other half in the non-German partner language. Both languages are equal languages of instruction.
- ✓ Class tests will be written in the language in which the subject matter was taught.
- ✓ All the teachers are native speakers. Where the language of instruction is the non-German partner language only qualified teachers from outside Germany will be employed.
- ✓ The total number of hours taught according to the SESB timetable is higher than in regular German schools. This, together with the continuous bilingual and thus language-intensive instruction, can place additional strain on the pupils.
- ✓ Language literacy is first learned in the respective mother tongue.
- ✓ The non-German partner language is formally the first foreign language.
- ✓ Beginning in year 5, English – French in the German-English SESB – is taught as a further (second) foreign language.
- ✓ The primary level of the SESB is run as a compulsory all-day primary school; thus attendance for pupils is compulsory for four days a week from 8 am to 4 pm.
- ✓ Final admission to the SESB will be decided only after an observation period covering the first two school terms of full attendance.
- ✓ In principle, the SESB educational programme runs through to graduation and should therefore be continued from year 7 in an integrated secondary school or grammar school – if such exists.
- I / we \* have taken note of the conditions and directions for attendance at the SESB and accept them completely.
- I / we \* have received a copy of the declaration of consent.

\* Please delete as appropriate

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Date and signature of the parent or guardian