

**Kidnapping and Hostage-Taking of
World Vision-Sponsored Travelers
Policy Information and Release**

Name of Traveler _____

International Acts of terrorism, violence, and kidnapping are a tragic part of current reality. As **WORLD VISION Incorporated/World Vision International** (hereinafter referred to as “**WV/WVI**”) grows and serves the lives of more people in a variety of countries, it is always possible that World Vision’s sponsored travelers (constituent trip members) may be affected.

We recognize the difficult decisions involved when hostages are taken; however, we believe that governments, organizations, and individuals have a common interest in not giving in to terrorist demands. We strongly believe that concessions, whenever they are made, only encourage further attacks and put additional people at risk.

WV/WVI is prepared to use every legitimate means to secure the release of any of its sponsored travelers being held hostage. **WV/WVI** will cooperate with the appropriate government agencies to ensure that all perpetrators of violent acts against its sponsored travelers are brought to justice. While all reasonable efforts consistent with World Vision’s core values and policies will be made to achieve my safe return, **WV/WVI** will pay no ransom or concession that is reasonably likely to cause or contribute to the probability of future similar events occurring and that **WV/WVI** may not be able to extract me from an illegal detention or hostage situation.

Adult Traveler (age 18 or older) Release

I, _____, have read and understand the statements made above concerning the position of **WV/WVI** on the kidnapping and hostage-taking of **World Vision-** sponsored travelers and understand that in the event that I am held as hostage or a victim of kidnapping, **WV/WVI** will use every legitimate means to secure my release but will neither make concessions nor negotiate payment of ransom for my release.

Traveler’s Signature

Date (m/d/y)

Minor Child Traveler (under age 18) Release

I, the undersigned, am the parent/legal guardian of _____, a minor child, and as such have read and understood the statements made above concerning **WV/WVI**’s position on the kidnapping and hostage-taking of **World Vision-**sponsored travelers and understand that in the event that my minor child is held hostage or a victim of kidnapping, **WV/WVI** will use every legitimate means to secure their release but will neither make concessions nor negotiate payment of ransom for their release.

Parent/Legal Guardian’s Signature

Date (m/d/y)

Parent/Legal Guardian’s Name (Please Print)

Minor Child’s Name (Please Print)