. The first the first family so that they can readily accept you as a member of their family.

My name is Minami. I am a high school student from Japan. Thank you for welcoming me as a family this time.

First, I would like to introduce about my self. I am a social person who likes talking with people, and others often say that I am cheerful. I like trying new things, and hobbies are knitting and playing musical instruments. My other hobbies are listening to music and watching movies. I especially like K-pop, and I am a fan of BTS. My favorite movie is Harry Potter and oceans 8. I often go to cafés and go shopping with my friends. I live alone in a place where students live, and on my days off, I cook meals, do the laundry, and clean.

There are five people in my family including me: my father, mother, old brother, and younger sister. Everyone is kind and loves to talk, so we are very close. Although we live apart, we stay in touch even about small things and meet once every four months. When we meet, we usually have meals together and go for walks. I often play various sports such as video games, table tennis, and baseball with my siblings. I first became in my father terested in foreign countries from. My father once studied abroad. My father lived in the United States for six years. Since I was a child, I've been exposed to western music and movies. I was first attracted to the sense of freedom in foreign countries.

Since Junior high school, I havehad a dream of working as a doctor overseas. I thought it would be better to learn a foreign language while I'm still in high school so that I can understand the classes more easily when I study it professionally in university. Therefore, I decided to study abroad in high school, and I entered my school that offers study abroad programs. The school is far from home, so I live in a dormitory. I first became interested in Denmark when I saw beautiful pictures of Copenhagen. As I learned more the country, It was drawn to many things: the kindness of the people, the comfortable way of life, tales like the ugly duckling are very famous and that Art is thriving and more. I admire the lifestyle, and I would like to study and experience Danish culture in Denmark. Thank you so much for becoming my host family. I'm looking forward to meeting you.

## PARENT'S LETTER TO HOST FAMILY

Dear host family,

It is our pleasure to be able to write to you and your family to introduce our daughter Minami. We cannot thank you enough for deciding to become the host family for Minami and making her dream to study in your country possible. We hope this letter will help you to further know about Minami.

Minami is a diligent, passionate, and enthusiastic girl. She can set herself goals, draw a route to achieve them, do not let others derail her, and continue to make efforts. Of course, she encounters obstacles, but she does not get fixated on the negatives, pick herself up and continue to thrive with positivity. We really admire such personality traits of hers. This introduction may make her sound like a serious person, but she has social and fun-loving side to her as well. She loves planning outings with her friends and coming up with ways to celebrate birthdays. She is very clever with her fingers and love to makes sweets, does intricate decorations and wrappings to celebrate. Seeing others smile and making friends and family happy brings joy to Minami, and we as a family enjoys her company always. She is very lively and lights up mood of our family.

Minami is also a girl with curiosity, which you will notice from her various hobbies and activities. In junior high school, she was a member of the school's volleyball team for 3 years. She can play the piano and accompanied her class for the school's choir contest. On the school's sports day, she became the leader of the cheerleading squad. Minami has always been an avid reader, which I believe has led her to become a good writer. She has participated in our city's speech contest and talked about the importance of blood donation in front of many people and the judges. Other than that, she enjoys K-pop, especially BTS. She is a big fan of Jimin and likes listening to their music and collecting their merchandise as a hobby.

Minami's dedication and passion to study abroad is very strong. To achieve her aim to study abroad, she decided to apply for her current high school that allows and encourages students for exchange programs. Living in a dormitory was required to enrol this school and we miss her very much, but we decided to support her strong-will and take on this challenge. Minami has a future dream to work in the medical field to help people in need. She is aspired to help people not only in Japan, but around the world. Denmark is famous for one of the leading countries for medical and welfare. Being able to live and study in such wonderful country is a precious opportunity for Minami. We are sure this experience will allow her to learn not only the school subjects but learn and feel the differences, about life, people and have a wholesome experience.

We are looking forward to what this year will bring for Minami and hope that it will be a life-changing year not only for Minami but for you and your family too. We thank you for reading this letter and welcoming our daughter Minami into your family.

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Sincerely yours,

Yuki and Mika