2016 Wuhan *"The Little Diplomat"* Primary& Middle School Students

Televised Oral Competition

*Rules and Arrangements of International Group*

*"The Little Diplomat"* is a televised oral English competition among primary and middle school students in Wuhan, which is jointly organized by Foreign Affairs Office, the People’s Government of Wuhan Municipality, Bureau of Education of Wuhan Municipality and Wuhan Broadcasting and Television Station. The first "*Little Diplomat*" was successfully held last year. In order to strengthen the international exchanges of young people, interest the French students to learn Chinese, and broaden the students’ international horizons, the competition this year will add international group, so that learning Chinese will greatly foster the cultural exchanges between France and China! The specific arrangements for the international group events are as follows:

1. **Group settings**

Any French student of grade 3-9 is qualified to participate:

1. Group A of primary school: Grade 3 / Grade 4 (age: 9 to 10)
2. Group B of primary school: Grade 5 / Grade 6 (age: 11 to 12)
3. Group C of secondary school: Grade 7 / Grade 9 (age: 13 to 15)

The local educational administration shall be responsible for organizing the relative competitions and the contestants and judges.

1. **Competition Rules**

1. The preliminary round:

Choose one of the following four topics and then deliver a 2-minute Chinese speech:

1. A letter to the future of you
2. Hello! Wuhan
3. One day in campus
4. The color of the Earth

2. The final:

1. 2-minute Chinese speech, free theme
2. 2-minute talent show
3. Q&A
4. **Participants**

The competition should be participated in by individuals (No groups). 200 participants are for the preliminary, and 100 participants are for semi-final. Only 30 participants are qualified to participate in the final in Wuhan. The 30 participants from France will compete with the participants who speak French from Wuhan together.

1. **Schedule**

* Preliminary: November-December, 2016
* Final: 19th, February, 2017

1. **Award Setting (3 outstanding awards for international group)**

* Outstanding award: 3 (one participant for A, B, C group each)
* Frist Prize: 6 (2 participants for A, B, C group each)
* Second Prize: 9 (3 participants for A, B, C group each)
* Third Prize: 12 (4 participants for A, B, C group each)

1. **International Exchange Arrangement**

The prize winners will be received by Chinese. Air tickets and accommodation are inclusive for 3 participants for outstanding award. The rest 27 participants pay for their own fee of tickets and accommodation.

1. Time for receiving: 18th-21st, February, 2017
2. Place for receiving: Wuhan, China
3. Days for receiving: 4 days
4. Cultural exchange arrangement:

* Participating in the final of international group of *"Little Diplomat"* Televised Oral Competition 2016, and selecting the winners
* Participating in award ceremony of “*Little Diplomat*" Televised Oral Competition, 2016
* Friendly reception from government official of Wuhan
* Visiting places of interest of Wuhan

1. Board and lodging expenses: 2 000 RMB/pers. (Round-trip ticket is not inclusive.)