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Dear Sir/Madam,

Jessica Wilson of Oxenford, Queensland has been selected by the National Youth Science Forum to represent Australia at the forthcoming National Youth Science Week, Pretoria (NYSW) in July this year.

The NYSW is an organisation whose aims are similar to those of the National Youth Science Forum in Australia and it attracts the best science students from all over South Africa plus a few overseas visitors by special invitation. Students are, generally, in their last year at High School.

Jessica was chosen by Rotary as one of 288 students from around Australia to attend the National Youth Science Forum in January 2007. She is on the shortlist selected to join the staff of the National Youth Science Forum in January 2008.

Of course, like all things in life, the experience comes at a cost. Jessica needs some financial assistance. While she has succeeded in obtaining some support she needs at least another \$5,500 to enable her to attend the NYSW.

Jessica is in Year 12 at Coomera Anglican College. She was selected by the local Rotary Club as a most outstanding student in science. We believe that she will make an excellent ambassador for Australia at this very prestigious event.

Jessica has suggested to us that you might be willing to help her. We would be grateful if you would consider giving some financial support, no matter how small, to help Jessica's travel. For further details please contact Sandra Meek at the Australian National University on (02) 6125 2777, alternatively you may find an email request to <nysf@nysf.edu.au> will find her quicker. Jessica can be contacted on 0404 689 727.

Cheques should be made payable to the "**National Youth Science Forum**" and forwarded to me at the above address in Canberra. A receipt will then be issued.

Alternatively, you might contact Jessica's father, Colin Wilson. Colin can give you a much better picture of Jessica and her needs and can be contacted on 0418 140 432.

I trust you will be able to help us and Jessica in particular.

Yours sincerely

Mr Geoffrey Burchfield
Director, NYSF



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