



Dear ACIS Community:

In our 35+ years of operating educational travel programs around the world, we've had to navigate around some very tragic circumstances. Sadly, it's become a part of modern life and one we can't ignore. At ACIS, our mission compels us to find ways to live fully and experience a world that is increasingly complex. To achieve this mission, we take every precaution to insure that our groups are safe and secure while traveling with us:

- We constantly monitor the advisories and recommendations of the U.S. State Department. We will never operate a program in any country or area where there are travel warnings or restrictions.
- If ACIS determines a specific destination to be unsafe while a group is overseas, we will make immediate revisions to the itinerary to avoid the location in question at no additional cost to our participants.
- Our local offices in London, Paris, Rome and Madrid provide us with up to the minute information on events and special circumstances, offering us an invaluable local perspective and expertise that allows us to respond quickly and appropriately to anything that may arise.
- Our 24/7 duty officer system is available to react instantly to requests and concerns to guarantee the comfort, security and safety of our groups.
- Our safety and support infrastructure is the cornerstone of our business – it's the reason why teachers choose to travel with us. We go above and beyond to not only provide once in a lifetime experiences for our participants, but to also ensure that they return home safely.

Now, more than ever, we must continue on with what we've chosen to do – to travel, to engage, to teach tolerance, respect differences, shun hatred, and to see the world from a much broader perspective. No one organization, group, or individual can or should take this freedom from us.

Please rest assured that we will remain vigilant in our efforts to operate our trips safely and appropriately.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P.S. Jones", written in a cursive style.

Peter Jones
ACIS President