Dear Major Superior/Bishop,

Fr., Bro., Sr., .................................................................has filed application to the Uganda Spiritual Formation Centre for admission.

The purpose of the Programme is to foster commitment in women / men Religious and priests who desire to renew their growth spiritually and psychologically and to equip those assigned to work in Houses of Religious Formation with relevant knowledge and skills. The Centre intends to facilitate the participant’s growth as responsible and committed people who will be instruments or agents of renewal, formation and growth in their respective communities and the Church. It is hoped that at the end of the course the participants may go out renewed in the spirit and service for the people they will be sent to accompany. And in so doing, they may bear fruit abundantly.

The success of the Centre in facilitating the necessary renewal, formation and growth will depend on the character of the individuals who are chosen. We must rely heavily on the judgement of people who know the applicant and who understand the grave responsibilities of representing the Church.

A candidate’s expression of opinion is necessary. All information will be kept in confidence. Please return this to the above address not later than …………………………….

We are grateful to you for your assistance in selecting suitable persons for service in the Church.

During what period have you known the applicant? From ………………… to …………………
What was your relationship to him / her? (For example, “I was his / her Superior”) ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………
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I do not know the applicant well enough to complete this form.

Rating on Suitability and Willingness

Since “Personal Human and Spiritual Renewal / Formators’ programme” is the main purpose of the Centre, the applicant ought to be willing and ready to undergo such Renewal / Formators’ programme. In your judgement, how suitable and willing is the applicant?

Please describe how the applicant demonstrates the level of suitability.

Rating on relationship with God

In order to profit from the program, the applicant should be basically rooted in God who influences his / her life. Deep in faith, in prayer, and eager for Renewal / Formators’ programme. According to you, make a general comment on his / her life of prayer.
Relating on Emotional Maturity

Graduates from the Centre are expected to work under conditions of great responsibilities. Already during their stay here they have to adopt to different environmental pressure, cultures, food, academic, activities, workshops, growth groups and Personal Spiritual growth obligations (Spiritual Direction, Retreats, etc.).

With these in mind, how would you rate this applicant on emotional maturity and stability, on ability to tolerate stress, to cope with unusual difficulties without having to resort to unhealthy “reliefs” like alcohol, drugs, smoke, exaggerated medical attention, etc?

Comments on emotional maturity of applicant:

Do you have any knowledge of any behaviour which shows that this applicant is not reliable, honest, or of good character?

Rating on Relationships with Other People

Graduates from the Centre will work mostly in groups side by side with other Priests or Religious and with people of different, sometimes difficult personalities. During the Course he/she is expected to stay and work with different people since the Centre is an International Community. How would you rate this applicant on relationship with others?

Comments on applicant’s relationship with other people
N.B. Please note the following:

1. Any applicant with drinking problems or any other pronounced disturbing problem is not recommended to join the Uganda Spiritual Formation Centre, since the Centre’s programme aims at Personal, Human and Spiritual Renewal, but not at rehabilitation.

2. Participants from outside Uganda need enough money to carry them through the two short breaks of two weeks each: one break which occurs around Christmas and another which comes around Easter.

Overall Recommendation:

…………. I recommend the applicant without reservation as an excellent prospect for the aims of the Centre.

…………. I have some reservation but would recommend the applicant as a good prospect for the aims of the Centre.

…………. I have substantial doubts about the applicant but think that he might be given a chance to prove himself / herself.

……….. I feel that the applicant is unsuited for the aims of the Centre.

……….. Other…………………………………………………………………………………………

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(Signature)                                  (Title)                                    (Address)                              (Date)

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