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Dear Friend of the World Youth Alliance,

My name is Fernando Vial. I'm 21 years old and I'm from Santiago, Chile. There, I study law at the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile. Before I came to WYA, I completed an internship at Baker & McKenzie Law Firm in Santiago.

I have been working for five years at a foundation back in Chile, which defends similar ideas as WYA's. The president of that foundation met WYA when he traveled to the US. I also met a former fellow, Fernando Álvarez, who encouraged me to apply to WYA. My internship has been great: I began the journey in the WYA regional office in Mexico, where I was able to meet the outstanding staff and understand the work WYA did in the regions. After this period I moved to WYA's headquarters in New York City and started my Advocacy Fellowship.

The whole experience of WYA has been incredible: WYA mixed learning, working and fun all the time. I will never forget the Manhattan International Film Festival, the International Solidarity Forum, the numerous commissions at the UN and the great time we had during WYA's Global Staff Meetings. I'm still deciding whether to work in the private or the public sphere, but I am confident that no matter which road I take, I will always advocate for human dignity and solidarity.

This whole experience made me grow enormously as a person, as I met these great people from all around the world and worked with them in solidarity for the same cause. I want to thank everyone who made this possible, especially the generous people who provide the means for the World Youth Alliance to be stronger than ever!

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Sincerely,

Fernando Vial

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