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FOR ALL YOUR HELP!



Dear Friends of the World Youth Alliance,

I am Ermelinda Gjeci, a WYA HQ Advocacy intern in New York hailing from Albania. I have graduated from a Master of Science in International Law in Albania.

My journey with WYA began in 2018 when my friend asked me to help bring the CTP training to Tirana, Albania and then to lead the opening of the WYA Albanian Chapter. After a year, I joined the WYA Headquarters for an Advocacy Internship as a great path of diving deeper into WYA's work. Throughout my internship, I underwent different training such as the Advocacy Training, CTP training, Networking at the United Nations Training. These gave me a much deeper understanding of WYA's work and equipped me with the right professional skills as well.

As an intern, I had the opportunity to draft FEMM statements for the United Nations, attend WYA's training, and network with people from different cultures and backgrounds who shared the same values as WYA. I also attended the International Solidarity Forum (ISF) where I had the opportunity to connect not only with delegates from different regions but also with those from my region who negotiated incorporating regional perspectives regarding the topic into WYA's outcome document.

It has been a delightful experience to meet all the other fellow interns from all around the world who also became lasting friendships. Having experienced my internship in the time of the virus COVID-19, I am so grateful for the flexibility and the support of the WYA staff in keeping in touch through remotely working and staying safe. Through all the social distancing measures, I have enjoyed the ZOOMba Calls that WYA hosted by gathering all the certified members from all around the world and discussing issues regarding WYA's work.

I greatly appreciate all your support to the World Youth Alliance and I am grateful for having the opportunity to be part of this wonderful internship. This would not be possible without your dedication and belief in our work. Thank you so much!

Sincerely,

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