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RE: Global Youth Challenge (GYC)

"GYC 2021: World Peace"

Dear Pu,

I am writing to demonstrate my support of **Global Youth Challenge (GYC)** for the **GYC 2021: World Peace** annual contest on February 16, 2021.

With more than 1,000 youth members from over 20 different countries participating in this year's competition, I expect that the virtual event will be a resounding success. **GYC** provides an important outlet for bright young minds around the globe and offers them an opportunity to strengthen their understanding of key contemporary issues as they consider and create solutions to our world's challenges.

The **GYC**'s continuous hard work to develop and host the annual competition and to provide a platform that enlightens members and engages the public to pay attention to a young generation who applies creativity to triumph over challenge. **GYC** amplifies the voices of youth and helps them to build confidence and develop skills through your platform. Contestants share their stories and ideas not only to empower themselves, but also to inspire and encourage one another.

The development of communication skills is intrinsically important for young people in order to capitalize on their academic and career success. Strong and clear communication boosts confidence and the ability to influence social change. As the participants of this year's *GYC 2021: World Peace* contest seize the opportunity to share their perspectives with an audience of over 10,000 worldwide viewers, I trust that the panel of judges from renowned universities will be entertained and enlightened as they select and award the most compelling and captivating speakers.

During the past year, the world has experienced unprecedented change due of the global pandemic. By youth gathering to share their hopes and perspectives, they will contribute to a better understanding of their peers' opinions, values and beliefs to help them each discover and define their unique presence in a complex world.

It is my honour and pleasure to support all those involved with **Global Youth Challenge** and the **GYC 2021: World Peace** annual contest. I wish the contest organizers, judges and participants' the peace of hope, health and prosperity in 2021.

Sincerely

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