**Letter of Recommendation**

Student Participant, 2023 Youth Leadership Program

**For the Applicant**

Type your name where indicated and email this form to one or two individuals who can attest to your work ethic and skills. Ask your reference(s) to type their responses in and to sign the form by hand or electronic signature (signatures typed by computer will not be accepted) **You must attach** **at least one typed, hand-signed Letter of Recommendations to the online Written Application by the deadline. You may attach up to two (2) letters of recommendation.** **If your reference sends the letter of recommendation directly to the** [YLPAYouth@nnic.org](mailto:YLPAYouth@nnic.org) **email, please upload a document that states the name of the reference, and that they sent the letter of recommendation directly to us.**

**Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**For the Reference**

The person named above is applying to take part in a U.S. State Department Youth Leadership Program, a three-to-four week academic and cultural exchange program in the United States for international and American high school students. The selected students will be in a challenging academic environment and will receive intensive leadership training. To succeed, the participants must be highly motivated and be able to adjust to living and working with people of different social and cultural backgrounds. We value your honest assessment of the applicant in helping us select the most appropriate participants. If you would like to add additional comments, we encourage you to do so. **Instructions:** Please type the answers to the questions, print the form, sign by hand and return this form to the applicant. If you are required to/would rather return the form to the program staff, please forward it to [YLPAYouth@nnic.org](mailto:YLPAYouth@nnic.org).

\_\_\_ I strongly recommend this applicant

\_\_\_ I recommend this applicant

\_\_\_ I have minor reservations about recommending this applicant

\_\_\_ I have major reservations about recommending this applicant

\_\_\_ I do not recommend this applicant

How long, and in what context, have you known this applicant?

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What are the applicant’s strengths?

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What are the academic or personal areas in which this applicant needs more development?

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Why do you believe that the applicant will be a successful participant in the Youth Leadership Program with Algeria?

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Do you think the applicant would adapt well to unfamiliar environments and new situations? Why or why not?

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