

Letter to the Editor Templates

Group Study Exchange

In times of conflict, many people are thinking about the future of international relations. We believe that now is a very good time to reemphasize Rotary's goal of worldwide understanding and peace.

As a participant in Rotary International's Group Study Exchange program, you have a unique perspective on intercultural exchange. We ask that you share your experiences and spread the word of Rotary's good work on an international level. Below is a sample letter that interested participants can personalize, add their own reflections, and send to the editor of their local newspaper. The editorial page is generally one of the most-read sections of the newspaper, and your letter is likely to reach many people.

Dear Editor,

During times of conflict, world peace and understanding are more important than ever. It is clear that broadening our international understanding is critical. Efforts to encourage the study of foreign cultures provide opportunities that cannot be measured. In the increasingly global workplace, cultural diversity is the norm, and international understanding is critical to success.

As a part of Rotary International's Group Study Exchange program, I learned firsthand about intercultural exchange. The program sends young professionals abroad for four to six weeks to live and learn with professionals in their host country. The Group Study Exchange program has given me the chance to enrich myself both academically and culturally and the chance to promote international goodwill throughout the global community.

Thanks to the Rotary Clubs of [City, State, Country], the program took me to [City, Country] for [insert time away]. [Add several sentences of personal reflections] As we all struggle against hatred and intolerance, I am reminded of what so many of us learn while abroad - cultural differences make us unique, but our differences are not what ultimately matter. We can all work together to foster cross-cultural respect, peace and understanding worldwide. I'm thankful to Rotary International for giving me the experience of a lifetime.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

GSE team member

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