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Dear Sirs:

I am [REDACTED] a junior, and an eighteen year old Cambodian student from Cleveland High School in Portland, Oregon. I have been in the United States for two years and four months. I watch C-SPAN, because I had an opportunity to go to Washington D.C. and I have begun to want to know what events are taking place on Capitol Hill and all over the United States. I am especially interested in politics.

During the one week-trip to Washington D.C. with the Close Up Program, I learned where and how the laws of the United States are made and how they are changed. I am anxious to know what the government is trying to do and how it solves its many problems. Sometimes on the C-SPAN Program, there are seminars during which some of the speakers give a talk and the rest ask questions. These are just like the seminars which I attended and participated in. The seminars are good. I can understand and actually learn from them.

It is fascinating to watch senators from different states talk about issues that I'm unfamiliar with. As a matter of fact, I want to know everything about the C-SPAN Program. Then, if I have a chance to return and attend this marvelous Close Up Program, I will have some background about issues and the ability to ask the speakers many questions.

Now, I have an added interest in watching C-SPAN, listening to the news, reading magazines, and newspapers so that I can prepare myself to go back. Indeed, I really want to get involved with government.

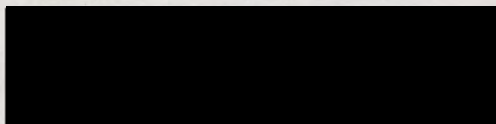
Other things that I enjoy in the C-SPAN Program are: the discussions of the problems of the Reagan administration with the Media, American Civil Rights, Operation Push led by Jesse Jackson and the presidential elections. All the discussions are fascinating for me, because in my country no one can criticize the king. No one can make comments about

his administration as congressmen do about President Reagan's. Neither do women ask for rights or privileges in making government. Culturally, it is just very different.

One of the comments on the C-SPAN Program really amazed me. I heard people call by long distance and ask if it is a two man race (between Walter Mondale and Garry Hart)? It seemed the editor said, "Yes. It is.", and he went on and on talking about the race, but I watched Operation Push and Jesse Jackson himself said, "I am a man and I am still in the race". That was different from the early comment I heard. It was people's opinions other than the truth about the race.

It is not only that I want to know about current events and government process; but in the future, if I have the ability like the congresswomen and men, I absolutely wish to become a politician.

Respectfully yours,

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