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Dear Wenny Kusuma,

I am Ceren, a 6th grade student. My class has been working on a service learning project for most of the school year. The whole class got to choose one specific topic that they felt passionate about to research and later put together a presentation to present to the class. In the beginning, I wasn't 100% sure about what I was going to do. But, soon enough (with some help) I chose human trafficking. I chose this issue because my parents had suggested it because of you. One of the reasons why I had chose this issue was because many people do not know about this issue. I thought that I'd might as well start by letting my class know about what human trafficking was. But that was just the beginning of the process.

So, let me explain what I know about human trafficking to you. Human trafficking is a huge issue, though not everyone knows much about it. It currently affects about 20.9 million people all around the world. So far, human trafficking is affecting 161 countries that we know of. Human trafficking is usually broken into two different types, labor trafficking and sex trafficking. They both affect this world majorly and it's horrible. Human trafficking is a huge problem all over the world. But, to be more specific, it occurs in Southeast Asia a lot. For example, in Cambodia there are an estimated 2.5 million people in the labor and sex trade. But, human trafficking doesn't only occur in Asia or developing countries. Human trafficking also takes place in the US. Last year, human trafficking was reported in all 50 states of the US. So, that's human trafficking. But, you may be wondering, how does human trafficking affect society? Well, since many people are forced into the sex/labor trade, many families may get affected by this issue. For example, minors in the US, as young as 12 years old are forced into street prostitution. Think about the families of the girls. Imagine finding out that your child was engaging in commercial sex. That's how horrible it can affect people's lives.

Now, how can you help remediate this issue? You can always donate to a specific organization. But, if you really want to, you can come up with your own organization or creative idea. Since you are the head of UNIFEM, you probably have your own organization and are already working to remediate human trafficking. So, you are already one step ahead.

Now, I would like to thank you for reading my report and letter. Please respond via email or my home address. Thank you once again since I did spend lots of time putting together my report. Also, you may check out my class' website that we all are still working on. We basically made a template for an executive report. It is the template we used for our own reports and it is open for the public to see. If you wish to read any of the other reports, we are slowly putting up everybody's reports, which are classified as 'Model Reports' on the site.

Sincerely,

Ceren

