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A RARE VISIT TO THE UN IN GENEVA AND A LESSON ON HUMAN RIGHTS

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SAS students just before they are about to enter the UN building in Geneva. Back row (l-r): Yukun Zhang, Kevin Harmon, Meghan Harney, Chris Lowrie, Emily Zmak, Raul Jimenez, Elizabeth Johnson, Neha Premjee, Erin Kellogg (in background), Hannah Mendoza, Sammy Lam, Christine Romero, Ana Alanis, Andrew Gray. Front row (l-r): Justine Ryan, Rosemarie Laughlin, Abbe Lund, and Claire Tichenor

Eighteen students from the Fall 2013, 50th anniversary voyage received a special (and rare) opportunity to visit Geneva, Switzerland and attend the 24th session of the United Nations Human Rights Council. The students, who each submitted applications in order to participate, were among the first group of young people to actually sit in the actual council room and watch the Human Rights Council in session. Three members of the group also had the rare opportunity to make short presentations during a special side event on youth and the right to development. Several of the student participants share their impressions of one day at the U.N. that is certain to have many lasting memories.

SAS Fall 2013 student Mia Wetmore and voyage photographer Bryan Koop contributed to the audio editing and compilation of this podcast.

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