Peace Corps Confidential Reference Form

Peace Corps Response Volunteers represent the United States and the American people in the countries and communities where they serve abroad. The Peace Corps expects Volunteers to conduct themselves at all times in a manner reflecting positively on the Peace Corps and the United States. Appropriate Volunteer conduct is critical because it is intimately tied to the safety and protection of Volunteers, and that of the communities and children they serve, as well as the reputation and effectiveness of Peace Corps programs. Please consider these factors carefully when completing this recommendation. Please include any information that may inform our assessment of the applicant's suitability to serve as a Peace Corps Volunteer.

- 1. How do you know the applicant?
- 2. How long have you known the applicant?
- 3. Do you know of any situations or problems the applicant might be trying to avoid by going overseas as a Peace Corps Response Volunteer?
- 4. Please rate on a scale of 1 5 (with 1 being the lowest and 5 the highest) the applicant's abilities in the following areas:
 - a. Changes his or her behavior to accommodate others
 - b. Copes well with separation from family and friends
 - c. Flexibility in changing circumstances
 - d. Responds maturely to stressful working and living situations
 - e. Sensitivity when working with people of different backgrounds
- 5. Do you know of any reasons why this individual should not work with children? (Yes or No)

Overall Recommendation

Please select the one that best describes your overall recommendation:

- I recommend the applicant without reservation for Peace Corps Response service.
- On the whole, I recommend the applicant for Peace Corps Response service.
- I have some reservations, but I feel that he or she has a reasonable chance of success in Peace Corps Response.
- I have substantial doubts about the applicant's suitability for Peace Corps Response service.
- I do not know the applicant well enough to appraise his or her qualifications to serve.

Please describe any reservations you have about the applicant's ability to serve as a Peace Corps Response Volunteer:

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- I DO NOT authorize the Peace Corps to identify me as the source of this reference, nor do I authorize the Peace Corps to release a copy of this reference to the applicant. I realize that a summary of this reference may be released without my authority.
- I AUTHORIZE the Peace Corps to identify me as the source of this reference and to release a copy of this reference, upon request, to the applicant.

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Signature (please type name):

Date:

By clicking "Save," you will submit your response to Peace Corps Response.