

## **Recommendation Letter for Zoria Petkoska**

I am writing on behalf of Zoria Petkoska. It has been a great pleasure to know Zoria over the past three years as a researcher and writer. She has proven to be creative, detail-oriented, intelligent, and hard-working in all the endeavors I have seen her undertake during this time.

I first met Zoria at Tokyo University of Foreign Studies where I am an English Advisor. She was a research student at the time, and I was impressed with her spoken and written ability of English that exceeded the quality and contribution of most research students from English speaking countries. In fact, I have referred her to a graduate student who needed his English thesis edited. Her talent has not only been recognized by me; she has quickly become an active writer in Tokyo, evident in her many publications in English journals, magazines, and books.

Zoria is multilingual with excellent communication skills and has experience in working in culturally diverse environments. Her creativity and competence have shown to bring out the best in others and raise the bar of the teams she works in; this is observable in the quality of journalism she has brought to the publications she has contributed to and how her work is regularly selected for translation into various languages.

In addition to her passion for writing and education, as well as her articulate skill in the English language, I have observed her commitment to her work that goes beyond expectations. She is a hard-worker, thinks out of the box, has a keen eye for photography and design, allows space for ideas to prosper, and inspire others. These are remarkable, unique skills that make her an asset to any organization she joins.

It would be my pleasure to discuss Zoria's abilities and character as I have the most profound personal and professional respect for her. I sincerely believe she is valuable to any organization she is considering so please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email with any questions.

Sincerely,

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