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SUBHANI WINS PEACE AWARD, RAHALL SAYS

Washington - U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall (D-W.Va.) announces that Humera Subhani has won first place in the state-level competition of the first National Peace Essay Contest sponsored by the United States Institute of Peace. The U.S. Institute of Peace is a creation of former Senator Jennings Randolph (D-W.Va.).

Subhani, a student at Man High School, and other state winners from around the country will be honored this weekend at a special program in Washington. The students will meet with officials at the White House, Congress, Department of State and the Institute of Peace.

"It is much to my delight to see our youth concerned about our world and how we can live in peace," Rahall said. "I honestly believe that if those in positions to create war and discord would listen to our youth, we would have a nicer world in which to live."

The U.S. Institute of Peace is an independent national institution established by Congress to develop and disseminate knowledge about the peaceful resolution of international conflict.

Students participating in the Essay Contest were required to submit a 1500 word essay focusing on the human rights section of the 1975 Helsinki Accords and have it published in their school newspapers. The state winners receive \$250 scholarships and the national winner will receive a \$5,000 scholarship.