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We would like to thank Tiffany Contreras and Christopher Aaron Coleman for their recent services to the Carmelite NGO. They were our spring interns and came to us via Manhattan College in NYC (a Christian Brothers institution).

Tiffany, who is from Long Island, NY, is graduating this month with a sociology degree with a religious studies minor. After taking a little time off, she intends to return to school for graduate studies in social work.

Aaron, who hails from the San Francisco Bay Area, has another year before he completes his B.A. He is a sociology major who ultimately plans to attend film school and get a Master's in Film Production.

We called upon Tiffany and Aaron to attend and report on various meetings at the United Nations, which included the Commission on Social Development, the Commission on the Status of Women, and various briefings.

Both Aaron and Tiffany attended an all-day conference on human trafficking that was held at St. John's University on 1 April. Tiffany was also able to represent the NGO at one of the monthly meetings of the NGO Committee to Stop Trafficking in Persons.



Aaron is completing some research he has been doing for us on climate change and the Trump administration.

Our student interns are able to help us out in various ways during their time with us and for that we are very grateful. The students are also changed by their experience. They learn more about significant global problems and about the United Nations system and how

the world community is coming together to make positive social change (albeit not as quickly and effectively as we always hope).

Finally, Tiffany and Aaron have said that what they have learned from their experiences with the Carmelite NGO and the UN has helped them form their own ideas and values and are helping to shape what they intend to do in their future. Look for Tiffany to include social justice advocacy in her social work career. And watch for Aaron's films to include provocative social justice content.

