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Dear DHS,

I am a faculty member in the Geography department at Penn State University. I think this proposed fee increase is a terrible idea! It will negatively impact the research efforts of the GeoVISTA Center. We depend on foreign students to do much of the programming work, and this change will scare many potentially excellent applicants off. We operate within a global marketplace for education, and changes like this make us less competitive.

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