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Acknowledgments

DSAMUN is proud to be a THIMUN (The Hague International Model United Nations) Affiliated Conference.

Being a member to the THIMUN, which is the biggest and most famous Youth Conference in the world, provide us the opportunity to contribute as DSAMUN Conference in promoting awareness of international relations and issues for young people in an open-minded atmosphere in which students can develop and refine their communication skills, where they can gain insights to further their understanding of and learning about, politics in a global and international manner. Therefore, we would like to thank the Board of THIMUN, especially Linda Dubock and Irwin Stein for their permission to use their Instructional Guide and their support.

We would also like to thank our school administration, our colleagues and administrative personnel, students, parents, alumni and sponsors who have made every year this conference possible and a successful one.

We wish you all a pleasant conference.

The Board of DSAMUN Directors

Preface

The 22nd DSAMUN conference finds the world in rough waters. While wars are tormenting and displacing large populations in various parts of the world, the signs of climate change are increasing exponentially indicating that urgent action will need to be taken to avoid irreversible harm to humanity. At the same time, globalization as a way of addressing worldwide poverty and inequality seems to be losing support even among its formerly most enthusiastic supporters, who seem to find certain forms of protectionism more appealing. The impact of this change could be severe for many countries and, more importantly, for the developing countries. For the latter, the course to prosperity could be interrupted if they are excluded from the major markets.

For these reasons, it is imperative that political leaders take responsibility and work closely together to timely find solutions to humanity's growing problems. However, are politicians able to assume this responsibility or are they so consumed by their own worries and ambitions that the lives of their citizens and, by extension, the world's population come second? A few decades ago, "political corruption" was largely associated with totalitarian regimes in under-developed or developing countries. Today, citizens of democratic countries, including some of the most developed ones, have growing concerns about the integrity of their 'representatives'. They fear that lobbyism poses a great threat to democracy and institutions. They disapprove of media manipulation as a means of securing election and demand more accountability and transparency in public finance. These concerns should not be ignored. A change of course for humanity requires a relationship of trust between citizens and their governments. This can only be built on a foundation of rules. For this reason, this year's Special Conference is dedicated to the issue of political corruption.

Many further topics of equal concern will be dealt with, and students will have the opportunity to engage in debates about them and suggest solutions. As citizens of the world they have the responsibility to take matters in their hands and help to initiate immediate action. Together, they have not only the opportunity to acknowledge the problems but also to share their values and beliefs and work together through dialogue towards a common end: a better world.

MUN Team of the Deutsche Schule Athen

Secretary General's preface

Your Excellencies, honorable guests, esteemed directors, fellow student officers, dear delegates,

It is my honor and great pleasure to welcome you all to the 22nd session of the Deutsche Schule Athen Model United Nations Conference. We have all gathered here because of our common belief that dialogue between different parties and individuals can prove to be constructive. Simply put, the purpose of this conference and the whole MUN institution in general is to provide students with the opportunity to think about the world and to share their thoughts with others. In a society where young people have no voice, MUN can offer them the privilege of being prepared to become open-minded and conscious global citizens.

Nevertheless, in what ways does society in general benefit from this gathering? How will the assembly of young people, who are exchanging opinions about a plethora of issues, bring us closer to the solution of crucial issues? It would be unrealistic to claim that what will be discussed at this conference will directly affect our lives and benefit humanity as a whole. However, MUN conferences such as this one provide students, who normally live according to a strict routine and rarely think outside of their comfort zone, with the opportunity to seriously think about the current situation in the world. This Conference will play an important role in integrating the participants into the world of diplomacy and helping them understand the causes of various problems.

MUN will give those students the unique opportunity to not only meet people from all over the world and make new friendships, but also acquire knowledge of many different cultures, while at the same time sharing a variety of perspectives on global affairs. Moreover, MUN gives young people the chance to understand the world around them and envision them making a change in it.

Throughout the three days of this conference delegates from all over the world will discuss issues of great importance for us all. I hope that the DSAMUN conference will provide you with incentives to seriously think about such problems and that you will all gain something that is worth remembering from this conference.

Thank you.

Dimitrios Grigoriou Secretary General

President of the GA's preface

Dear Delegates, Advisors and Guests,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 22^{nd} annual DSAMUN conference. This year's conference, following the example of the past ones, is comprised of ten committees with delegates coming from all across the globe to the premises of our school in order to discuss urgent global issues.

The theme of this year's conference, sustainable cities, is doubtlessly more relevant than ever, based on the all-time highest greenhouse gas emission rates and the common goals set to combat climate change, such as lowering greenhouse gas emissions by at least 40% by 2030. The transformation of modern and less ecofriendly cities into sustainable ones is one of many issues in the agenda of the DSAMUN conference, attended by delegates ageing from 14 to 18 years old.

The familiarization of young people with global issues from such an age is one of the most important functions of MUN. The very concept of MUN aims at the preparation of the youth for the future and in this case, for issues such as climate change, which will definitely continue to concern the human kind for the coming decades. The realization that MUN – and DSAMUN – delegates may be faced with such future challenges is critical, and hopefully this conference will enable them to improve their decision-making, debating and interpersonal skills as part of a common effort to pave the way for a better and sustainable future.

I wish you all a great and productive weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Faidra A. Patsatzi President of the General Assembly

Programme

Thursday	17 October
15.30-17.00	Chair workshop at GSA (mandatory for all Student Officers)
Friday	18 October
08.30-09.30	
08.30-10.00	7 0
09.30-10.00	Advisors Meeting (Atrium)
09.45-10.30	Seating (Auditorium)
10.30-12.00	Official Opening Ceremony
12.00-18.00	All committees in session
13.00-14.00	
15.00-18.00	11
15.30-18.00	Lobbying, final Draft of Resolutions
Saturday	19 October
08.30-10.00	Lobbying
08.30-15.00	Approval Panel in operation
10.00-12.30	Committees, SC, HSC and ICJ in session
12.30-13.15	Lunch
13.15-13.30	Group photograph
13.30-17.00	Committees, SC, HSC and ICJ in session
Sunday	20 October
09.00-10.45	Committees in session
09.00-15.30	SC, HSC, ECOSOC, Special Conference, ICJ and Youth Assembly in
session	
10.45-12.45	General Assembly in session
12.00-14.00	Lunch available for SC, HSC, ECOSOC, Special Conference, ICJ and
Youth Asse	embly
12.45-13.30	Lunch available for GA committees
13.30-15.30	General Assembly in session
15.30-17.00	Closing Ceremony

Agenda

GENERAL ASSEMBLY (GA)

Disarmament and International Security Committee (GA1)

- Maintenance of international security good neighborliness, stability and development in South - Eastern Europe
- Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East
- Addressing the potential risk of weaponisation of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Big Data

Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee (GA3)

- Achieving Prison Reform and Alternatives to Imprisonment
- The issue of the secret Re-Education Camps in China
- The question of Civil Disobedience

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (GA4)

- Addressing the rise of the far right and populism across Europe and America
- The role of the international community in the prevention of the radiation threat in Central Asia
- Question of Catalonia's claims for independence

Legal Committee (GA6)

- Establishing an international legal framework for the improvement of cyber security laws
- The question of the legitimacy of economic sanctions under international law
- Promoting measures to increase banking transparency in order to limit offshore and cross border money laundering and tax evasion

Environmental Committee

- The question of e-Waste in LEDCs
- Supporting ecotourism to help diminish the negative effects of tourism
- Maintaining and creating of coral reefs
- Limiting the impact of Engineered Nanomaterials (ENMs)

Security Council (SC)

- The situation in Central America: progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development
- The issue of violent extremism in the Sahel-Saharan region
- Towards the restoration of peace and stability in the Kashmir region

Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

- Empowering young women in traditional conservative societies
- Reducing Inequities in children's outcomes in high and middle income countries
- Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba
- Measures to combat drug cartels in Latin America

International Court of Justice (ICJ)

 Application of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (Georgia v. Russian Federation)

Historical Security Council: Year 1991

- The Gulf war (in 1991)
- Addressing the impact of the fall of the U.S.S.R. (26 December 1991)
- The Yugoslav conflict (31 March 1991)

Special Conference on sustainable cities

- Reducing energy consumption and air pollution in sustainable cities
- Creating and protecting urban green lungs to establish a healthy environment in cities
- Social urban planning: empowerment through Community Development
- Improving safety of children in cities

Youth Assembly

- The question of death penalty
- Ensuring the protection of personal data
- The issue of police brutality

Student Officers

Secretary GeneralDimitrios Grigoriou (Deutsche Schule Athen)Deputy Secretary GeneralMichalis Sarantellis (Deutsche Schule Athen)President of the GAFaidra Anastasia Patsatzi (Deutsche Schule Athen)Deputy President of the GAStavroula Adamaki (Deutsche Schule Athen)

General Assembly		
Disarmament and International Security Committee (GA1)		
Chair	Niki Paraskevopoulou (HAEF Psychico College)	
Co Chair	George Stamatopoulos (Deutsche Schule Athen)	
Co Chair	Charilaos-Ioannis Ioannou (Ekpedeftiki Anagennisi)	

General Assembly		
Social Humanitarian and Cultural Committee (GA3)		
Chair	Kalliroy Malta (Moraitis School IB)	
Co Chair	Alp Çırnaz (Üsküdar American Academy)	
Co Chair	Anthi Sotiropoulou-Nassika (Deutsche Schule Athen)	

General Assembly		
Special Political and Decolonization Committee (GA4)		
Chair	Dionysios Belezinis (Anavryta Model Lyceum)	
Co Chair	George Moneftsis (Deutsche Schule Thessaloniki)	
Co Chair	Alkistis Papanikolaou (Deutsche Schule Athen)	

General Assembly		
Legal Committee (GA6)		
Chair	George Kanellopoulos (Costeas-Geitonas School)	
Co Chair	Angeliki Angelopoulou (Deutsche Schule Athen)	
Co Chair	George Ermis Ioannou Makrynikolas (Deutsche Schule Athen)	

	Environmental Committee
Chair	Aysu Ugurses (Üsküdar American Academy)
Co Chair	Vithleem Rammou (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Co Chair	Emmeleia Dimaraki (Arsakeia School Psychico)

Security Council

PresidentVassilis Michalis (Costeas-Geitonas School)Deputy PresidentThomas Sevastiadis (Deutsche Schule Athen)Deputy PresidentPhilipp Giavridis (Deutsche Schule Athen)

ECOSOC

PresidentKyveli Fourli (Deutsche Schule Athen)Deputy PresidentJohn Kordas (Deutsche Schule Athen)Deputy PresidentChristina Sebaaly (Sagesse High School)

Deputy President Fatma Ceren Dolay (Üsküdar American Academy)

Historical Security Council

President Nikolaos Athanassiadis (Deutsche Schule Athen)

Deputy President Eleni Derveni (Deutsche Schule Athen)

Deputy President Angelica Vogiatzolgou (Costeas-Geitonas School)

Special Conference

President Joanna Sakkadas (St. Lawrence College)

Deputy President Konstantina Andrikopoulou (HAEF College Psychico)

Deputy President Alessandro Fazio (Deutsche Schule Athen)

Deputy President Kyveli Malta (Pierce College)

Youth Assembly

HeadMaria Voulgari (Deutsche Schule Athen)Co HeadPanagiota Dimitrakopoulou (Deutsche Schule Athen)

Co Head Deniz Oray (BLIS-Bilkent Laboratory International School)

Co Head Konstantina Koutsimpela (Deutsche Schule Athen)

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The Hague Model United Nations Affiliated Conference

International Court of Justice

President	Lydia Koulouri	Deutsche Schule Athen
Deputy President	Niki Pierakea	Deutsche Schule Athen
Registrar	Yannis Apostolakopoulos	St. Lawrence College
Advocates (Appl.)	Antonis Chronis	Deutsche Schule Athen
	Katerina Gerantoni	Deutsche Schule Athen
Advocates (Resp.)	Sofia Zoi Vagia	Doukas School
	Panagiotis Spanos	Doukas School

Judges

- 1. Katerina Tziola (Deutsche Schule Thessaloniki)
- **2.** Kalliopi Stathopoulou (Leonteios School of Athens)
- **3.** Anastasis Lamprianos-Stappas (Pierce College)
- **4.** Marialina Tsindis (Moraitis School)
- **5.** Rea Bremer (Deutsche Schule Athen)
- **6.** Christelle Zeidan (Sagesse High School)
- 7. Lambros Chavoutziotis (Deutsche Schule Athen)
- **8.** Chrysanthi Dellas-Grivas (Deutsche Schule Athen)
- **9.** Eirini-Maria Kavvadia (Ekpaideftiria "Athina")
- 10. Fragkiskos Nistikakis (Deutsche Schule Athen)
- **11.** Angeliki Papafloratou (Deutsche Schule Athen)
- **12.** Eirini Thomopoulou (Deutsche Schule Athen)
- 13. Eirini Angelouli (Deutsche Schule Thessaloniki)
- **14.** Nilsu Tuysuz (Uskudar Academy School)
- **15.** Erika Kunstmann Drakouli (Deutsche Schule Athen)

International Court of Justice Programme

Friday 18 October

09.00 - 09.45 Brief Meeting

09.45 - 10.30 Seating (Aula)

10.30 - 12.00 General Assembly: Official Opening Ceremony

12.00 - 13.30 Opening Statements, Stipulations & Admission of Applicant Party's Evidence

13.30 - 14.30 Lunch

14.30 - 17.30 Presentation of the case by the Applicant party- Examination of Witnesses and Deliberation

Saturday 19 October

08.45 - 09.00 Brief Meeting

09.00 - 09.30 Deliberation

09.30 - 12.30 Admission of Respondent Party's evidence & Examination of Witnesses and Deliberation

12.30 - 13.15 Lunch

13.15 - 13.30 Group photograph

13.30 - 14.30 Deliberation

14.30 - 15.15 Rebuttal

15.15 - 16.15 Deliberation

16.15 - 17.00 Questions by Judges

Sunday 20 October

09.00 - 09.45 Questions by Judges

09.45 - 11.00 Closing Arguments

11.00 - 14.15 Deliberation/Lunch

14.15 - 15.00 Writing of the Verdict

15.00 - 16.30 Closing Ceremony/Presentation of the Verdict

DSAMUN Country Assignment sort by Country represented

	Country represented	School name	Country origin
1.	Argentina	HAEF ATHENS COLLEGE	Greece
2.	Belgium	EKPAIDEFTIRIA ATHINA	Greece
3.	Bolivia	IONIOS SCHOOL	Greece
4.	Brazil	St Lawrence College	Greece
5.	Canada	Erasmios Ellinogermaniki School	Greece
6.	China	Ekpedeftiki Anagennisi	Greece
7.	Colombia	Liceo Classsico e delle Scienze Umane Benedetto da Norcia	Italy
8.	Cote d' Ivoire	Leonteios School of Athens	Greece
9.	Cuba	Deutsche Schule Thessaloniki	Greece
10.	Dominican Republic	HAEF Psychiko College	Greece
11.	France	OTHISI Lykeio	Greece
12.	Germany	Uskudar American Academy	Turkey
13.	Guinea	CGS SHOOL	Greece
14.	India	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
15.	Indonesia	Deutsche Schule Thessaloniki	Greece
16.	Iran	Moraitis School	Greece
17.	Iraq	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
18.	Ireland	Erasmios Ellinogermaniki School	Greece
19.	Japan	I.M.Panagiotopoulos School	Greece
20.	Kuwait	Liceo Classsico e delle Scienze Umane Benedetto da Norcia	Italy
21.	Mexico	Anatolia College	Greece
22.	Netherlands	Talitha Kumi – Deutsche Evangelicsch-Lutherische Schule	Beit Jala Palestine

23.	North Korea	DEO Kairo	Egypt
24	Peru	Uskudar American Academy	Turkey
24.	Poland	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
25.	Republic of Korea (South)	Deutsche Schule Moskau	Russia
26.	Romania	Deutsche Schule Moskau	Russia
27.	Russia	Doukas School	Greece
28.	Saudi Arabia	Doukas School	Greece
29.	South Africa	St Lawrence College	Greece
30.	Sudan	DEO Kairo	Egypt
31.	Turkey	CGS SCHOOL	Greece
32.	Ukraine	Anatolia College	Greece
33.	United Kingdom	HAEF Psychiko College	Greece
34.	UNODA	Leonteios School of Athens	Greece
35.	USA	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
36.	Venezuela	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
37.	World Trade Organization	EKPAIDEFTIRIA ATHINA	Greece
38.	Yugoslavia	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece

Assembly Meeting Rooms

General Assembly	Aula	Ground floor
Special Political and Decolonization Committee	107	1 st Floor
Disarmament and Security Committee	119	1 st Floor
Social Humanitarian and Cultural Committee	112	1 st Floor
Environmental Committee	113	1st Floor
Security Council	114	1st Floor
Historical Security Council	109	1st Floor
ECOSOC	117	1st Floor
Special Conference	116	1 st Floor
Youth Assembly	115	1st Floor
Legal Committee	110	1st Floor
International Court of Justice	118	1st Floor
Photocopying (for Delegates)	Library	Ground floor
Photocopying (for Staff)	Main entrance hall	Ground floor
Approval Panel	Computer room 1	Ground floor
Press Room	Computer room 2	Ground floor
Staff Room	Faculty Room	Ground floor
Information Desk	Main entrance hall	Ground floor

Important Information

General Rules of Conduct

It is assumed by virtue of the fact that participants are here for a serious programme that they are mature enough to respect others and to provide a framework within which all MUN participants can operate, with each action in good taste and appropriate to the primary purpose of their being here. Failure to follow these simple guidelines may result in schools not being invited to future sessions.

Dress Code

As a serious simulation, DSAMUN expects personal appearance to be appropriate for a professional setting. Participants should not wear clothing, jewellery, or accessories which are distracting, inappropriate, or which may call attention to themselves – either individually or as a group.

Inappropriate dress includes, but is not limited to:

- Sports shoes & denim clothes
- National costume or military attire

Boys should be dressed in a formal suit, shirt, tie, or similar alternative i.e. blazer or jacket with formal trousers. Girls should be dressed equally formally in suits, smart separates (whether trousers or skirts) or dresses. Low necklines and/or short skirts are not considered appropriate.

PREPARATORY MEETINGS AND LOBBY ON THURSDAY and FRIDAY STUDENT OFFICERS: PREPARATORY MEETING ON THURSDAY:

The student officers will meet for a preparatory meeting where they will get to know the DSAMUN procedures during our conference. This preparatory meeting is mandatory (Library).

BRIEFING

There will be a briefing for all the student officers before and after the committees' session which will take approximately half an hour (AULA).

PREPARATORY MEETINGS AND LOBBY

Preparatory meetings and lobby will be held for all committees except SC, and ICJ on **Friday starting at 08:30.** These meetings are mandatory and serve for introductions and explanations of procedures by the various chairs. Attending these meetings will greatly facilitate the lobby process for the remainder of the day as well as ensure a swift start of the sessions the following day. Delegates are expected to be actively involved in the lobby process of their committee until the start of the Opening Ceremony at 10:30.

OTHER MEETINGS:

EARLY REGISTRATION ON THURSDAY: Thursday 17th October 2019 from 15:30 till 17:00 in the Foyer of our school.

ON FRIDAY:

MUN-Directors meeting 9:30 in the atrium of our school.

ON SUNDAY:

MUN –Directors meeting 9:30 in the atrium of our school.

DSAMUN Conference ABC

Administrative Staff

The function of the Administrative Staff is to ensure the smooth running of the conference. In the debate forums they have to control the flow of delegates in and out, maintain order during the debate. They are responsible for the transmission of notes between delegations and/or the podium and for counting the votes whenever required.

Approval Panel

The Resolution Processing is entirely digitalised. The Approval Panel for all committees will be in the computer room. Delegates must obtain 10 co-submitters for their draft resolution brought to the Registration Desk in the computer room/press room in digital form.

Badges

Take great care of your DSAMUN badge. If you do not have a badge, you will not be allowed into meetings or the General Assembly. A new badge can only be applied for at the Information Desk by a MUN-Director on behalf of the delegate. The delegate must pay a fee of EUR 5.00 at the time of request. Badge changes or new badges that are requested before 10:00 can be picked up after 14:00 from the information desk.

Badges will not be changed when minor spelling mistakes have been made with regards to the name of the delegate.

Note: The badge is also your lunch ticket. So do not forget or lose the badge, bring it along to the conference and show it to admin staff to get your lunch packet.

Buses and public transportation

The Bus transport can only be provided for the El. Venizelos Airport on Sunday. The schools which are interested in using the buses to the airport on Sunday, please inform our postmistress (Mrs. Psychogiou) about your decision three weeks before the conference, so that we can book the coaches.

Computers

Resolutions have to be taken with you in printed version. Changes can only be done if you bring along your own computer and should be saved on a USB-stick which will be brought to the Registration desk and the Approval panel.

Flags

Every ambassador will get a flag of the country he/she presents.

Mobile Phones/Portable Audio Equipment

Cellular phones must be **switched off in all committees at all times**. Portable audio equipment must also be turned off during all meetings.

Notes/Communication within larger forums

Each note must be written on **official and appropriate delegation stationery**. The name and the section of the receiving delegation must be clearly written on the front of the note. Notes will be screened and thrown away if they contain improper messages. Disciplinary action may be taken by the Administrative Staff or the Student Officers against any delegates abusing the system. There will be no messenger service between committees.

Opening Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony will take place in our assembly hall. There will be seating signs and delegates are kindly requested to the allocated seats.

There will be no admission after the start of the Opening Ceremony. Part of the Opening Ceremony will be speeches of ambassadors of the **embassies** in Athens as well as a speech of our headmistress. We expect the students to be attentive during the ceremony.

Photocopying and Secretariat

The Administrative Staff in the Secretariat provide several important services to the delegates. As many delegates want to use these services at the same time, the Secretariat is usually very busy. Delegates are therefore requested to be patient and cooperative. Approved resolutions will be copied automatically in sufficient numbers for the forums concerned, so that delegates need not concern themselves with this. Other photocopying, such as Country/Delegation stationary and other valid documents, will be done at EUR 0.10 per copy.

Smoking Areas

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the school premises.

Voting Placards

A placard with the name of the delegation is provided on the basis of ONE per delegate. You need it for voting. Don't forget to bring it with you to all sessions. Lost placards will not be replaced.

Procedure for processing resolutions

The Procedure for processing resolutions through Approval Panel:

- 1. Discuss your draft resolution with other delegates during Lobbying and agree on additions, deletions or mergers.
- 2. Obtain a **co-submitter sheet** from your Chair and have it signed by a minimum number of delegates you need **at least 10 signatures of different countries.**
- 3. Type up the merged resolutions in the computer room. You have to register for a computer, register with the computer staff, type the resolutions (only 2 delegates per resolution), register it again with the computer staff. They will give the resolution a <u>D-Number</u>.
- **4.** The **computer staff** will print out **2 copies**, one for your **Chair**, one for **you**.
- 5. Go to your **Chair** and have it **approved**. Chairs will check the draft resolutions for consistency with the UN Charter and for plagiarism (copying from previous resolutions). If approved, the Chair will sign the draft resolution. He will keep one copy for himself.
- **6.** Go with the signed draft resolution to the **Approval Panel** (next computer room). **Register** with the **computer staff**. One teacher will correct grammar and spelling of the resolution **together with one delegate per resolution**.
- 7. Computer staff will register the corrected version and give it an A-(Approved).
- **8. Computer staff** will print out **3 copies**: one for you, one for the computer staff, one for photocopying for the committee.
- **9.** Return to your committee, inform your Chair that your resolution has been approved and wait for it to be discussed.
- **10. Please observe the following rule:** You may **submit** or **co-submit** only one resolution on any one issue, i.e. you may sign altogether 3 resolutions, but on three different topics.

General rules

All delegates should be aware that the rules are intended to facilitate debate and to accord to all members their democratic right to voice an opinion. The Student Officers will apply the rules to this end and will not tolerate the abuse or misuse of the rules for obstructive or restrictive purposes.

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Delegations should, at all times, act in accordance with the articles and principles of the United Nations Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Diplomacy

Each delegate must act according to diplomatic norms, including the duty to:

- respect the decisions of the Chair at all times;
- obtain the floor before speaking;
- stand when speaking;
- yield the floor when the Chair requests it;
- be courteous at all times;
- avoid the use of insulting or abusive language.

Opening Speeches

Each delegation will have the floor of his/ her committee for one minute, before the committee commences with lobbying. This should be treated as a serious occasion. The delegation's opening speech must be representative of their nation's policy on each of the committee's topics.

Right of Reply to Opening Speeches

Following the delivery of seven opening speeches, two rights of reply will be entertained by the President. Such replies must refer to one of the preceding opening speeches.

Parliamentary Procedure

Expect where otherwise adapted or limited by conference by-laws, Robert's Rules of parliamentary procedure are used.

In general, the Student Officers will know the proper procedure, how to apply the rules. They are available to give help and information and delegates should not be afraid to ask for clarification or explanation of the rules. This is most easily done by rising to a point of order, a point of information to the Chair or a point of parliamentary enquiry. At most conferences, such points are not allowed to interrupt a speech.

Powers of the President/ Chair during Formal Debate

The President/ Chair will propose the limitation of debate time for each motion. When debate time has been exhausted, the President/ Chair will proposes either the extension of debate time or the closure of debate and subsequent vote on the question being considered (the Previous Question).

Since a high degree of consensus is aimed at, open debate is the norm except on really contentious issues, where the President/ Chair may propose closed debate.

The President/ Chair may, in the interest of debate or in order to work towards consensus, call upon a particular

delegation to speak, even if they have not requested the floor. The President/ Chair may also, for the same purposes, restrict the speaking time of an individual delegate. The limitations of debate time will include the time taken for replies to points of information but will not include the time taken for questions put to the speaker or for other interruptions.

The President/ Chair will announce the guillotine time (the absolute maximum debate time for any resolution) to the assembly.

The President/ Chair may call recesses or adjournments. A two-thirds vote against the Chairs decision is required for such an appeal to be upheld.

Quorum

Amendments to the Agenda & to Resolutions

Referring a Resolution or Question

Reconsideration and Tabling

Yielding the Floor to the other delegations Rising to Points

A majority of the total membership of each forum shall constitute a quorum.

Amendments can only be submitted by a speaker who has the floor. Proposed amendments to the agenda may be submitted in each forum at the start of business. The purpose of proposed amendments to the resolutions is to improve the resolution with the object of achieving a wider consensus. When an amendment is moved to a proposal, the amendment is voted on before the vote is taken on the main motion. If a second amendment (amendment to the amendment) is moved, it will be voted on before the vote is taken on the main amendment. If the adoption of the second amendment necessarily implies the acceptance or rejection of the first amendment, the first amendment is not put to the vote.

A resolution or question may be referred to another Council, Commission or Committee e.g. to the Security Council. The desirability of referral is debatable. It requires a majority vote.

Once a resolution has been formally adopted or rejected by a vote of the assembly concerned, it may only be reconsidered after all business on the agenda has been dealt with, and normally requires a two-thirds majority in favor of reconsideration.

Tabling, or laying a resolution on the table temporarily disposes of it. A motion to table a resolution is not debatable and requires only a simple majority in favor. A two-thirds majority is needed to take matters from the table, however.

The floor may be yielded by one delegation to another only once consecutively.

- A Point of Personal Privilege must refer to the comfort and well being of the delegate. It may not refer to the content of any speech and may only interrupt a speaker if the speech is inaudible.
- A Point of Order may relate to procedural matters only.

- A Point of Information may be directed to the Chair or to the speaker who has the floor if he has indicated that he is willing to yield to points of information. A point of information must be formulated as a question, although a short introductory statement of reference may precede the question A. Follow-up question or series of questions from the same questioner are usually not in order.
- A Point of Parliamentary Enquiry is a point of information directed to the Chair concerning the rules of procedure.
- A speech may not be interrupted by any point except a point of personal privilege referring to audibility.
- All other points are dealt with only when the speaker yields the floor either to points of information to another delegate, or to the President/ Chair.

The Previous Question

Moving the Previous Question calls for the closure of debate and for a vote to be taken on the motion pending. It may be moved by the President/ Chair or a speaker who has the floor.

Voting

- Only member states of the United Nations may vote. In the event of a close result, the President/ Chair may institute a roll-call vote, in which each member's name is called in turn and its vote recorded.
- After the President/ Chair has announced the start of voting procedures, no interruptions will be allowed except for points of order connected with the actual conduct of the voting.
- Abstentions do not count either for or against the adoption of a motion, i.e. a resolution will pass if the number for exceeds the number against regardless of the number of abstentions.
- Veto Rights: The Security Council will apply the special provisions concerning voting as stated in the UN Charter.

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