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Letter From the Secretaries-General

Dear Delegates, Moderators, and Guests,

On behalf of our entire secretariat and staff, we are pleased and excited to welcome you to SJMUNC 37.

To help you get through the day, we have provided a delegate handbook which contains essential information about our facilities, committees, and policies. We hope your experience will be fulfilling, and you will either learn the ropes of Model UN or improve your already-developed skills.

Frequently, we receive questions/comments about whether or not we give awards. We believe that a resolution is the work of every delegate in a committee, so if a delegate represents their nation's interests in a work passed by the body, they are successful. SJMUNC emphasizes collaboration over competition. As we see ourselves as a "teaching conference" early in the year, we want to focus on introducing novices to Model U.N. while helping experienced delegates prepare for future regional and national conferences.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to stop any staff member; we will assist you as best we can. Good luck, and have a fantastic day!

Sincerely,

Omkar Vaddi & Ronan Pigeaud

Co Secretaries-General of SJMUNC XXXVII

Conference Schedule

8:00 to 8:45 - Registration & Breakfast

9:00 to 9:30 - Opening Ceremonies

9:45 to 12:00 - Committee Session I

Lunch

12:00 to 12:30 - Wave I*

12:30 to 1:00 - Wave II*

1:00 to 3:00 - Committee Session II

3:00 to 3:20 - Closing Ceremonies

^{*}Wave I: SPECPOL, Ad-Hoc, JCC, Security Council

 $[\]ensuremath{^{**}Wave}$ II: ECOFIN, SOCHUM, DISEC, SENATE, LEGAL, GREEK

Room Assignments

Beginner

SPECPOL - Jay Theater (Middle Floor) ECOFIN - 404 (Middle Floor) SOCHUM - 403 (Middle Floor) DISEC- 402 (Middle Floor)

Intermediate

SENATE - 401 (Middle Floor)
LEGAL - 400 (Middle Floor)
GREEK- 301 (Bottom Floor)
SECURITY COUNCIL - 302 (Bottom Floor)

Advanced

JCC Christians - 303 (Bottom Floor)
JCC Muslims- 304 (Bottom Floor)
Ad-Hoc - 305 (Bottom Floor)

Conference Policies

Electronic Policy:

The use of any cell phones, tablets, laptops, smartwatches, or anything that can use Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, or cellular service is prohibited by the committee. Research and socializing are meant for something other than the committee, and it is simply disrespectful to your committee chairs who have spent months preparing. Along with that, the direct use of AI in writing papers is not allowed under any circumstances.

Dress Code:

All delegates must be in Western Business Attire, as is typical of M.U.N. conferences.

Food and Drink Policy:

No food or soda of any kind is allowed in Founders Hall at all. This includes the Founders' atrium, the hallways, and the committee rooms. Water bottles are permissible.

Breakfast and Lunch:

Breakfast and Lunch will be provided by Garden Fresh Catering at 508-769-6538. Please ask our staff if your teacher requested a special meal to accommodate a dietary restriction.

Room Assignments:

All committees will occur in Founders Hall on the main, and lower levels. Founders Hall is located at the bottom of the hill and is the building furthest to the right when you pull in. The faculty moderators can sit in the Etre Conference Room or the Founders' Atrium during the day.

Committee Rooms are on the last page, along with a map of the Founder's Hall. Men's rooms are on all three floors; Women's rooms are on the 1st and 2nd floors of Founders Hall, as indicated on the map.

Resolution Format

Resolution (Committee Acronym)/Version Number/Designated

Sponsors: Arrange this such that the country you, the primary writer, represent comes first and only reports up to three (3). (Separate the countries using commas, and do not follow the last country with any punctuation before beginning the signatories list)

Signatories: These are the nations, arranged alphabetically, who would like to see your paper brought to the floor. These nations may not necessarily support your position (do not end with any punctuation)

Topic: This can be found in the briefing paper (not followed by any punctuation) To the Honorable (Committee Name),

Preambulatory Clauses (italicized) use commas to separate ALL preambulatory clauses (even after the last preambulatory clause before beginning operative clauses),

- 1. Operative clauses end the main operative clause if followed by sub-clauses, with colons:
 - a. This does not need to begin with an operative word/phrase
 - b. You must have more than one sub-clause
 - i. Similarly, all sub-sub-clauses must be followed by another sub-sub clause
 - ii. Sub-sub-clauses follow the format of I, 2, 3, ...
 - 1) This is a sub-sub clause which must,
 - 2) Be followed by at least one other sub-sub clause

(use semicolons to separate ALL operative clauses);

2. Final Operative Clause ends this sentence with a period (nothing is allowed to follow the final period).

Important Notes:

Using the proper format for a resolution will automatically set you apart from other delegates. Preambulatory clauses typically acknowledge previous works of your committee (historically). These short phrases DO NOT resolve the problem presented in the committee's topic. Operative clauses take action against the problem presented in the committee's topic. All operative clauses are numbered, followed by a period as in 1. NOT followed by parenthesis as in: 1). If you have a sub-clause (a) in your operative clauses, that must have a sister sub-clause (b). This is shown above under operative clause 1.

The chair will decide upon the designated number (top right corner), and the version number may also be chosen.

Sample Perambulatory Clauses

Affirming

Alarmed by

Approving

Aware of

Bearing in mind

Believing

Confident

Contemplating

Convinced

Declaring

Deeply concerned

Deeply conscious

Deeply convinced

Deeply regretting

Desiring

Emphasizing

Expecting

Expressing its appreciation Expressing its satisfaction

Fulfilling

Fully alarmed

Fully aware

Fully believing

Further deploring

Further recalling

Guided by

Having considered

Having considered further Having devoted attention

Having examined

Having heard

Having received

Having studied

Keeping in mind

Noting with regret
Noting with deep concern

Noting with satisfaction

Noting further

Noting with approval

Noting with zest

Observing

Reaffirming

Realizing

Recalling

Recognizing

Referring

Seeking

Taking into account

Taking into consideration

Taking note

Viewing with appreciation

Sample Operative Clauses

Accepts

Affirms

Approves

Authorizes

Calls

Condemns

Confirms

Congratulates

Considers

Declares accordingly Deplores

Designates

Draws the attention

Emphasizes

Encourages

Endorses

Further invites

Emphasizes

Encourages

Endorses

Expresses its appreciation

Expresses its hope

Further invites

Further proclaims

Further reminds

Further recommends

Further requests

Further resolves

Has resolved

Notes

Proclaims

Reaffirms

Recommends

Regrets

Reminds

Requests

Solemnly affirms Strongly

condemns Supports

Take note of

Transmits

Trusts

The General Assembly

Sponsors: Germany, Russia, Spain

Signatories: Greece, France, India, Bulgaria, Ukraine

Topic: Outer Space Law

To the Honorable General Assembly:

Reaffirming the previous United Nations resolutions, including the Outer Space Treaty (resolution 2222/XXI), the Rescue Agreement (resolution 2345/XXII), the Liability Convention (resolution 2777/XXVI), and the Registration Convention (resolution 3235/XXIX),

Noting with zest the current dangers associated with outer space,

Acknowledging the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) and the subcommittee Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS),

- 1. Recommends the identification and tracking of objects put into space, by extension of the Registration Convention, with the utilization of technology like the Space Surveillance Network from NASA, which would:
 - a) Incentivize the removal of space debris through the Liability Convention by:
 - Providing monetary compensation for any damage caused either through bilateral payments between nations or multilateral payments between private companies through nations.
 - ii. Holding nations or private companies accountable for its clean-up,
 - b) Collaborate with private and public organizational partnerships, such as the European Space Agency's Deorbit mission, to work as a form of garbage collector in space;
- 2. Encourages the implementation of international legislation which would expand current and future jurisdiction of laws, such as the Outer Space Treaty, over private companies and enforced by the nations in which they are registered:
 - a) Adapting a system similar to maritime law in which space outside of the Earth's atmosphere and contained within the moon's orbit is viable for private company use,
 - b) Reconvening this United Nations committee every two years to discuss the parameters proposed in 2.a.
 - c) Encouraging the use of sanctions or other inhibitory methods against companies which do not comply with international law;
- 3. Requests the expansion of preventive regulations against conventional weapons in outer space, in conjunction with the PTBT already in effect, through:
 - a) Creating a contingency framework in the case of unforeseen events that endanger the collective security of the Earth and humankind whereby an emergency committee of the United Nations convenes to discuss quick and effective solutions,
 - b) Conducting investigations by COPUOS against any suspicion of illegal activity by nations or private companies.

Parliamentary Procedure

Setting the Agenda
Opening the Speaker's List
■ Requires a motion and a majority vote
■ "Motion to open the Speaker's List with 1 minute speaking time"
■ Anyone can be added at any time. Just send a note to the dais staff if you want to be added
Yields
○ While on the speaker's list, you must yield your time
■ Yielding to the chair: "I yield my time to the chair."
 The remaining time gets unused
■ Yielding to questions: "I yield my time to questions
 The chair will call on people to ask questions
 You can only respond for the amount of time unused
■ Yielding to another nation: "I yield my time to (insert country name here)."
 The country called on must go up and speak
 The country yielded to cannot re-yield
Points
O Point of Order
■ Used if a mistake is made by the chair in parliamentary procedure
O Point of Personal Privilege
■ Used if a delegate cannot participate due to an issue with the environment
O Point of Inquiry
■ Used when a delegate has a question about anything related to the committee
Caucusing
○ Moderated Caucus
■ Moderated by the chair
. The delegate proposing the caucus must include the duration, the speaking time, and the
topic of discussion
 "Motion for a 5-minute, 30-second speaking time moderated caucus on (insert topic discussion here)"
○ Unmoderated Caucus
■ A motion for an unmoderated caucus suspends the rules of formal debate
■ Allows delegates to move and speak freely with anyone they want
■ The delegate proposing the caucus must include the time duration of the caucus
• "Motion for a 10-minute unmoderated caucus"



