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SRMUN Charlotte 2025 Conference Schedule



Schedule subject to change. All times are EST.

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025

1:00p – 4:30p	SRMUN Charlotte 2025 Registration
1:00p – 3:45p	Delegate Preparation Seminars
	1:00p – 1:30p New Delegate Preparation
	1:45p – 2:15p Rules of Procedure
	2:30p – 3:00p Resolution and Report Writing
	3:15p – 3:45p ICJ Delegate Training
5:00p – 5:45p	SRMUN Charlotte 2025 Opening Ceremony
6:30p – 10:30p	Conference Services
7:00p – 10:30p	Committee Session 1
10:30p	Chair & Rapporteur Interviews & Selection
10:30p	Head Delegates' Meeting

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2025

7:30a – 8:30a	Chair & Rapporteur Training
8:30a – 10:30p	Conference Services
9:00a – 12:00p	Committee Session 2
12:00p – 1:30p	Lunch Break
1:30p – 5:00p	Committee Session 3
2:00p – 3:00p	Faculty Advisor Roundtable Session
5:00p – 7:00p	Dinner Break
7:00p – 10:30p	Committee Session 4
10:30p	Head Delegates' Meeting

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025

8:30a – 4:00p	Conference Services
9:00a – 12:00p	Committee Session 5
10:00a – 11:00a	Faculty Advisors' Meeting
12:00p – 1:30p	Lunch Break
1:30p – 4:00p	Committee Session 6
4:30p – 5:30p	SRMUN Charlotte 2025 Closing Ceremony

Faculty Advisor Roundtable Meeting

Friday, March 21st, 2pm-3pm

Location: Burnham

The SRMUN Board of Directors invites Faculty Advisors to join a conversation with fellow faculty colleagues about running a Model UN program and teaching international relations.

We hope you'll make time to join us to network with colleagues and share best practices!

Welcome!

From the SRMUN Charlotte Secretary-General,
Jasmine Sutherland

To our Esteemed Delegates, Faculty Advisors, Guests and Supporters,

On behalf of the SRMUN Charlotte Board and Staff, I'd like to welcome you all to SRMUN Charlotte 2025! My name is Jasmine Sutherland, and it is my esteemed honor to serve as your Secretary General for this year's SRMUN Charlotte conference. Now in its 13th year, SRMUN Charlotte continues to offer students the unique opportunity to step into the shoes of diplomats and policymakers to engage in rigorous debates and negotiations on some of the most pressing issues facing our international community today.

We are thrilled to offer a diverse selection of committees that tackle a broad range of international issues. This year, we have an exciting lineup of committees and topics that will allow you to immerse yourselves in the complexities of global diplomacy and policy-making. We are especially ecstatic to offer the International Court of Justice at SRMUN Charlotte for the first time in many years and the International Telecommunication Union for the very first time in SRMUN history! We look forward to seeing how you tackle the committee topics and hope they foster compelling debate.

Over the course of three days, you will navigate through complex scenarios, draft resolutions, and work collaboratively to build consensus on important issues. These experiences will not only enhance knowledge of international affairs but also equip you with the skills and confidence needed to become effective leaders and change-makers in their communities and beyond. We hope your time at SRMUN Charlotte 2025 will be both inspiring and rewarding as you engage in thought-provoking debates, challenge existing perspectives, and collaborate towards innovative solutions.

Jasmine Sutherland
Secretary-General, SRMUN Charlotte 2025



Meet the Executive Staff



Edgar Romero Cordova
Director-General



Beau Seate
Deputy Director-General



Xander Swain
Under Secretary-General

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Charlotte Klopp

Charlotte Klopp is a dedicated advocate for global education, international affairs, and nonprofit leadership. With a diverse background in public relations, marketing, media relations, business development, and higher education administration, she has spent her career fostering cross-cultural understanding and connecting communities with global perspectives.

She holds a B.A. in Communication with a minor in English from Old Dominion University (ODU) and later earned her M.A. in International Studies, specializing in American foreign policy. Recognizing the importance of strategic nonprofit leadership, she furthered her expertise by completing Duke University's Nonprofit Certificate Program in 2011, with a focus on nonprofit communication and management.

In April 2008, Charlotte joined the World Affairs Council of Charlotte (WACC) as Director of Programs and Development, bringing her diverse expertise to the organization. Her leadership in program development and strategic planning helped expand WACC's reach, fostering meaningful discussions on international relations and global issues.

Her passion and commitment led to a promotion in September 2011, when she became Vice President of Programs and Education. In this role, she oversees long-term communication and program management strategies, shaping the Council's global issue programming, international education initiatives, and community outreach projects. Her work continues to elevate global awareness and engagement across the Charlotte community, ensuring that diverse perspectives are heard and valued.

Beyond her professional achievements, Charlotte's greatest joy comes from her three children, Sam, Isaac, and Hannah, who remind her daily of the importance of curiosity, lifelong learning, and the next generation's role in shaping the world.



UNITED NATIONS



NATIONS UNIES



MESSAGE FROM UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL ANTÓNIO GUTERRES

Thank you for taking part in this Model United Nations conference and for believing in the power of global cooperation to solve global problems. We need your engagement and ideas today more than ever. Conflict, poverty, hunger, and inequalities are on the rise. A surge of mistrust and misinformation is polarizing people and paralyzing societies. Human rights are under assault. And the triple planetary crisis – climate disruption, pollution, and catastrophic biodiversity loss – is threatening lives and livelihoods everywhere.

But we can turn things around. Humanity has shown time and

again that we are capable of great things when we work together – across geographies and generations. To do so, we need an inclusive and networked multilateralism – one that ensures young people have a seat and a say in shaping our common future. We need your creativity, courage, and commitment. I draw hope from seeing your generation challenge the status quo and call for transformative change.

The United Nations is your steadfast ally in striving to build a more just, sustainable, inclusive, and peaceful world for all.

Thank you.

The History of:

Southern Regional Model United Nations (SRMUN), Inc.

Inaugurated in 1990 in Greenville, South Carolina, with the intention of being an exemplary learning experience for undergraduate college students pursuing issues of international concern.

The first conference attracted delegations from 10 schools and a total of about 100 student participants. SRMUN's first Secretary-General, Julie Pauling, was instrumental in organizing the conference. As a student member of the Board of Directors of the National Model United Nations (NMUN) organization during 1990 - 1992, she was convinced that establishing a regional "spin-off" would achieve two useful goals: first, schools that sent delegations to the spring NMUN conference would be able to gain some experience at a fall conference that would be smaller and less overwhelming to newer participants and, second, schools in the southeastern part of the country financially unable to send delegations to NMUN would still have an opportunity to benefit from a Model United Nations experience.

The conference site was moved to Atlanta in 1991 in order to have a location that was more central and an area that was more attractive to interested schools. The tactic worked successfully in very little time. Around 20 schools and 250 students participated in the second annual conference. Conference participation over the next several years gradually increased to over 400. As SRMUN entered its second decade of activity in 2000, delegate numbers exceeded 500 participants from approximately three dozen campuses. Most of the schools involved in SRMUN are located in the southeastern United States, but several institutions from outside the region also furnish delegations. It is particularly gratifying to observe the same schools returning year after year. In addition, each conference sees delegations appear from schools sending students for the first time. A significant number of schools are also able to provide more than one delegation.

During its early years (1990 - 1993) the administration of the SRMUN conference was the responsibility of NMUN's Board of Directors. The NMUN Board was generous with its financial support to get SRMUN off the ground. It did not have its own independent Board until 1993. In addition, NMUN advanced the funding to SRMUN that was required to establish the conference in the amount of a \$10,000 loan.

The rapid growth of the newly-created conference enabled SRMUN to pay off the loan by 1995. By that time, SRMUN's independent Board of Directors was fully established and became the ultimate authority for the conference's professionalism. SRMUN at this point became a fully sovereign conference independent of and separate from NMUN and equipped with its own governing structure.

The structure of SRMUN over the years has revealed remarkable resilience in terms of how it dealt with what could only be referred to as growing pains. Atlanta was universally accepted as a natural physical location for the conference. It did become necessary to change hotel conference sites on a few occasions. However, as the conference grew in the number of attendees, first tier hotels developed substantial interest in hosting the event. From its inception, SRMUN has been held during the last half of November, normally the week before the Thanksgiving holiday. This schedule enables delegates for the greater part of the fall semester to prepare for the conference and also allow them to enjoy a brief recess before the final examination season commences. The conference itself traditionally runs from late Thursday afternoon to Saturday evening.

SRMUN attendees made it clear that there's a real need for a Spring conference. After researching possible locations, the Board of Directors voted to host the first annual SRMUN Spring conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, which was held in April 2013. Over ten years later, SRMUN Charlotte has consistently grown as a successful Spring event. In October 2020, SRMUN expanded to host virtual conferences, and welcomed new schools from the far west in the United States and internationally from Canada, Costa Rica, and Kazakhstan.

SRMUN is a successful organization because of the loyalty and professionalism of its staff, delegates, faculty advisors, and supporters. There is no doubt that the original intention of the founders to make SRMUN a memorable learning experience has been and continues to be fulfilled. The participants are always eager, energetic, and devoted to their task.

SRMUN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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SRMUN's conferences are sponsored by an educational not-for-profit corporation, the Southern Regional Model United Nations, Inc. As of December 1, 2021, the Board of Directors for SRMUN, Inc. is a seven-member panel (with a minimum of one faculty advisor) and the Executive Director who are responsible for the overall state of the organization from year to year. Board members are responsible for meeting two or more times a year to conduct organizational business, including reviewing financial statements, creating strategic priorities of the organization, and approving all substantive content for the conference. The Board also selects and trains the Executive Staff of each conference; these offices are the Secretary-General, Director-General, Deputy Director-General, and Under Secretary-General.

Reporting to the Board of Directors is the Advisory Group. The Advisory Group is composed of individuals who have applied and been approved by the Board to serve the organization by reviewing and making recommendations to the Board on all substantive matters relating to SRMUN conferences, including conference theme, committees, and topics selection, and more.

Any person who has served as Staff, Executive Staff, or in a Faculty Advisor capacity for a minimum of two SRMUN conferences is eligible to run for a seat on the Board of Directors. Approximately half of the Board is appointed per year, to staggered two-year terms. To be considered, a person must submit a completed application to the Executive Director by November 15. A slating committee determined by the Board of Directors will select the incoming Board Members from the pool of applicants each year, prior to December 1st. At any time, a person may submit an application to serve on the Advisory Group. To do so, interested applicants must submit a completed application to the Executive Director.

The Executive Director manages daily corporate affairs for SRMUN Inc. The Board of Directors is responsible for the hiring of the Executive Director. The Executive Director reports directly to the Board.

SRMUN Charlotte 2025 Secretariat

Executive Staff

Secretary-General	Jasmine Sutherland
Director-General	Edgar Romero Cordova
Deputy Director-General	Beau Seate
Under Secretary-General	Xander Swain

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	Assistant Director	Samuel Brown
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	Assistant Director	Haley Bufka
	Assistant Director	Renee Smith
Group of 77	Director	Harper Chassay
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Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons - Executive Council	Director	Lilly Slipher
	Assistant Director	Jia Li Emaus
International Court of Justice	Director	Katie Reese
	Assistant Director	Sarah Johnson
United Nations Security Council	Director	Jacob Holt
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COMMITTEES AND TOPICS

GENERAL ASSEMBLY PLENARY (GA PLEN):

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- I. Addressing the Rise of Foreign Election Interference within Member States
- II. Combating Illegal Mining and Trafficking of Precious Metals

INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION (ITU):

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- I. Evaluating Efforts to Improve Internet Access for Schools and Students in Rural and Remote Areas
- II. Expanding Cybersecurity Capabilities to Protect Critical Information Infrastructure in Developing Member States

GROUP OF 77 (G77):

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- I. Examining the Impact of South-South Migration on Populations and Economies
- II. Promoting Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability through Infrastructure and Information Sharing

ORGANIZATION FOR THE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS - EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**:

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- I. Addressing Concerns Regarding the Complete Elimination of the Syrian Chemical Weapons Programme
- II. Ensuring the Responsible Handling of Dual-Use Chemicals In Preventing the Proliferation of Chemical Weapons

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE (ICJ)*:

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- I. Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (The Gambia v. Myanmar; 7 States intervening)
- II. Obligations of States in respect of Climate Change
- III. Allegations of Genocide under the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (Ukraine v. Russian Federation)
- IV. Application of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (Armenia v. Azerbaijan)

UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL (UNSC)*:

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- I. Open Agenda

* Annotates a single-delegate committee.

** Annotates a report writing committee.

All committees, with the exception UNSC, require a simple majority to pass. The UNSC is subject to the P5-Veto.

For further assistance, please contact the Secretary-General at sg_charlotte@srmun.org.

COMMITTEES & MEETING ROOMS

General Assembly Plenary (GA Plen)	University Ballroom CDE
International Telecommunications Union (ITU)	Lakeshore I, II, III
Group of 77 (G77)	University Ballroom AB
Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons - Executive Council (OPCW)	Lakeshore IV
International Court of Justice (ICJ)	Harris
United Nations Security Council (UNSC)	Walden
SRMUN Opening & Closing Ceremony	University Ballroom
SRMUN Registration & Conference Services	Midway
Caucus Space	Glenwaters
Delegate Preparation Seminars	University Ballroom
Head Delegates Meetings	University Ballroom CDE
Chair/Rapporteur Interviews & Training	Walden
Board of Directors Meetings	Executive Boardroom
Faculty Roundtable & Lounge	Burnham



MEMBER STATE ASSIGNMENTS

Member State	School	Member State	School
Afghanistan	Texas State University	Denmark	Queens University
Argentina	Texas State University	Ecuador	Carson-Newman University
Australia	Auburn University	Egypt	Pace University
Bahamas	Belmont Abbey College	El Salvador	Wingate University
Bangladesh	Rowan-Cabarrus Community College	France	Milligan University
Belarus	College of Central Florida	Germany	University of North Georgia
Belgium	Radford University	Ghana	University of Montevallo
Bolivia	University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Greece	Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
Bosnia and Herzegovina	University of North Carolina at Pembroke	Guyana	University of Colorado at Boulder
Botswana	University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Hungary	College of Central Florida
Brazil	Auburn University	India	University of North Alabama
China	Ohio Northern University	Indonesia	Kennesaw State University
Colombia	Spelman College	Iran	Texas State University
Czech Republic	University of North Carolina at Pembroke	Italy	Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Texas State University	Japan	Auburn University

MEMBER STATE ASSIGNMENTS

Member State School

Lebanon	University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Malta	Radford University
Mexico	Milligan University
Morocco	Winthrop University
Mozambique	Broward College
Netherlands	Gulf Coast State College
New Zealand	Guilford Technical Community College
Nigeria	Kennesaw State University
Pakistan	University of Colorado at Boulder
Palestine	University of North Carolina at Greensboro
Panama	Clemson University
Poland	Clemson University
Portugal	Lenoir Rhyne University
Republic of Korea	Tennessee State University
Romania	Wingate University
Russian Federation	University of North Carolina at Greensboro
Saudi Arabia	Rowan-Cabarrus Community College

Member State School

Sierra Leone	Queens University
Singapore	Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
Slovakia	Presbyterian College
Slovenia	Santa Fe College
Somalia	Santa Fe College
South Africa	Texas State University
Spain	Guilford Technical Community College
Sweden	University of North Alabama
Switzerland	Presbyterian College
Tonga	Winthrop University
Turkiye	University of North Georgia
Uganda	University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Ukraine	Broward College
United Arab Emirates	Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
United Kingdom	Wingate University
United States of America	Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
Venezuela	University of North Carolina at Greensboro

DELEGATE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: May I use my laptop or smart device (i.e., tablet or mobile phone) during the committee?

A: Sorry delegate, no electronic devices are allowed during any part of formal debate which includes but does not limit speeches, motions, announcements, voting, and roll calls. Devices may be used in informal sessions such as during moderated and unmoderated caucuses.

Q: Any advice on where I can find information on a specific issue? I just heard something called sovereignty and I am totally lost.

A: The first option is approaching your faculty advisor. The second is Conference Services where you can research on the computers for free.

Q: It is really cold in this room, but I was told I cannot make a point of personal privilege to the dais in order to change that. What would be the best way to address it?

A: The way to address any items that involve temperatures, water, other delegate behavior, general questions, etc. is to either (1) send a note or email to the dais or (2) approach the committee director during a suspension of the meeting. This will ensure that your questions or concerns are addressed and answered quickly without distracting the entire body.

Q: I hear SRMUN delegates have every room in the hotel booked so it's cool to be loud in the hallways and our rooms late at night.

A: Even though SRMUN is the largest event in the hotel this weekend, there are still many guests who are not part of the conference. Let's respect these guests who are not cool enough to be at SRMUN. We understand you will still have energy after conference hours and want to caucus or work which is why the lobby is a prime area to use as it is available to us for the weekend, feel free to use it!

Q: I am a double-delegation, do we both have to be present during formal debate?

A: No, but at least one delegate from your delegation should be present during formal debate. You don't want to miss anything important!

Q: Can we leave our laptop, placard, and garbage in the conference rooms between sessions?

A: NO, do not leave your valuables in the committee room during breaks. SRMUN and the hotel are not responsible for any lost or stolen goods. Also, please be cordial to the hotel staff by cleaning up after yourselves after each session, they would be extremely appreciative of this.

Q: Why can't we have Wi-Fi in every square foot in the hotel?

A: Unfortunately, due to the enormous cost, Wi-Fi in the conference rooms is not available. Meanwhile, there is free Wi-Fi at the Georgia Pre-Function Area outside of Conference Services, the lobby area, and in the guest rooms. We have been working on improving this situation and will notify if there's updates.

Q: I have been in committee all day but am on a roll on my working paper. Where can I grab a quick bite to eat and get right back to work?

A: SRMUN knows a fed delegate is a happy delegate. This is why we want our delegates to be fully nourished during and out of committee sessions. The prime location of the Hilton Charlotte University Place has a ton of surrounding restaurants where you can grab and go!

Q: Where is the SRMUN Delegate Social, why aren't we having one?

A: With the prime location of the Hilton Charlotte University Place, we wanted to give delegates the chance to explore the city and choose a place of their own to dance the night away. If you are lucky, you may even see some familiar staff faces out around town!

Q: Where can I get one of those awesome t-shirts or accessories that I see staff wearing?

A: You can visit the SRMUN Threadless store at SRMUN.Threadless.com or Conference Services, where we accept all forms of payment!

Q: I'm unable to continue with Model UN as a class or I'm a graduating senior and this is my last SRMUN. I am heartbroken but I hear being a staff member seems just about the best opportunity, EVER! How do I get involved?

A: Great question, delegate! Announcements will be made throughout the conference on where to hand in applications. The application can also be filled out online, check it out on [our website!](#) We encourage you to ask staff members about their experience, we guarantee it will change your life! Positions may also be available at our upcoming SRMUN Atlanta event.

Q: I cannot wait to be a SRMUN delegate again, but I don't want to wait an entire year – what can I do?

A: Easy Answer! [Register today for SRMUN Atlanta](#), taking place in late November at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta. You may also already book your hotel rooms today.

SRMUN POLICIES

DELEGATE CODE OF CONDUCT

Delegates are expected to:

- To be “in character” also entails displaying respect for the opinions and ideals of fellow delegates, even if these opinions and ideals conflict with a given delegate’s own Member State’s priorities.
- Remain in character by consistently advocating the interests and representing the policies of their assigned Member State.
- Collaborate with fellow delegates where possible. Delegates who disrupt committee sessions or create problems in the committee room may be barred from further participation in the conference.
- Conduct themselves in a courteous and professional manner at all times.
- Refrain from consumption of alcohol and other drugs in committee sessions. Note: Any issues related to illicit drugs or alcohol will be immediately directed to the attention of the SRMUN Board of Directors and Executive Staff.
- Respect fellow delegates at all times and in all methods of communications. Using information and communication technologies such as email, cell phones, text messages, instant messaging, defamatory personal websites, and social media to support deliberate and hostile behavior intended to harm other delegates is strictly forbidden.
- Know and follow these rules and regulations.
- Delegates who disrupt committee sessions or the conference or who are found to have violated any clause of the [SRMUN Code of Conduct](#), which you may scan the QR Code for further information, may be barred from further participation in the conference, forfeiting any delegate fees and/or award eligibility.



DRESS CODE:

- Standard delegate attire for the conference is business jacket, slacks (or skirts for women), dress shirt (with tie for men) and dress shoes.
- Shirts that expose excessive bare skin on the chest, stomach or are otherwise revealing are inappropriate. Clothes that reveal undergarments are inappropriate.
- Dress sweaters for men are generally considered too casual, unless a tie is worn underneath.
- Shorts, ball caps, jeans, sneakers, sandals, and sunglasses are forbidden.

- It is inappropriate for delegates to display any national symbols such as flags, pins, crests, etc. on their person during committee sessions. UN symbols are acceptable.
- Western business dress is preferred. Cultural dress is only permitted for international delegates whose native country’s accepted professional business dress includes traditional cultural dress. These delegates are the only individuals to whom this applies. Any delegate attempting to use cultural costume to portray a “character” will be asked to leave the committee chamber and change into clothing that is more appropriate. The SRMUN organization will not tolerate any delegate’s attempt to mock traditional cultural attire or abuse it as a costume.
- All clothing must adhere to guidelines that portray professionalism and modesty. If a delegate’s attire is deemed inappropriate by the SRMUN staff, the delegate will be asked to leave the session and return with appropriate attire.

BADGES

- All conference attendees are to wear their credentials during official meetings.
- Participants are identified as follows:
 - Executive Staff: Dark Blue
 - Staff: Blue
 - Board: Red
 - Head Delegates: Yellow
 - Delegate: White
 - Advisor: Green
 - Guest: Pink or Tan

SEXUAL HARASSMENT & DISCRIMINATION POLICY

It is the intention of SRMUN that the environment of our conferences best achieves our educational goals. The SRMUN Executive Staff and Board of Directors will not tolerate any instances of harassment or discrimination based on race, color, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, age, or medical condition.

If any participant at SRMUN, whether a delegate, Faculty Advisor, observer, committee staffer, Executive Staffer, Executive Directorate member, or member of the Board of Directors believes they have witnessed or encountered discrimination and/or harassment, which results in a hostile working environment or disparate treatment, they should bring it to the attention of any one or more of the following people: any member of the Board of Directors, any member of the Executive Directorate (Executive Director and 3 Deputy Executive Directors), or any member of the

SRMUN POLICIES

SEXUAL HARASSMENT & DISCRIMINATION POLICY *continued...*

Executive Staff (Secretary-General, Under Secretary-General, Director-General, and Deputy Director-General). Any person receiving such a report is obligated to pass along such reports to a member of the Board of Directors of their choosing (should they themselves not already be a member) as quickly as possible, and no later than within 24 hours. Alternatively, a report can be submitted by scanning the QR code below. Please be sure to include accurate contact information so that a SRMUN Board Member can contact you regarding your report. Anyone reporting instances of harassment or discrimination will be protected by the organization from retaliation.

The SRMUN Board must investigate the merits of the allegations, interview all parties involved, and submit a written report to the rest of the Board. Based on the investigation's findings, the Board of Directors may:

- Take no action;
- Issue a verbal reprimand;
- Remove an involved individual from the conference; and/or,
- Implement any other action that the Board deems appropriate.

To review the complete SRMUN Sexual Harassment Policy, please scan the QR Code.



CONFERENCE SERVICES POLICIES

- A maximum of two delegates will be allowed in Conference Services to work on each working paper at any one time. Delegates are expected to write their working papers outside of the lab and should utilize the designated caucus space of the conference.
- There will be NO FOOD OR BEVERAGES allowed in Conference Services.
- Internet resources are only for research use. Delegates will not be permitted to check their email. WiFi is provided in the designated caucus space and hotel lobby area.
- As SRMUN goes "green," delegates should electronically share or send their working papers to the dais via the respective committee email instead of printing at Conference Services. If a delegate wants to print a document, copies will be made for the delegates at a charge of \$.10 per copy, unless given a waiver by a dais member, this cost is used to defray the rental and repair costs for

copiers at SRMUN's conferences.

- Staff application printing is free of charge, although the staff application can be electronically submitted via the SRMUN website.
- Delegates may also purchase replacement badges and placards in Conference Services. Replacement badges will cost \$5.00 and replacement placards will cost \$10.00.

PLAGIARISM

SRMUN, Inc. encourages unique and exceptional dialogue amongst our participants through the free flow of ideas and conversations, with the expectation that all written and spoken words be original thought. All materials, including but not limited to: Position Papers, speeches, and working papers/draft resolutions, and reports are subject to a zero-tolerance policy regarding plagiarism or the unaccredited use of another's words. Any delegate found in violation of this stated policy will receive no credit for the entirety of their work, including receiving a score of zero for position papers found to include words that are not cited and/or properly credited to the original author. Additionally SRMUN has a zero-tolerance policy for the use of AI in creating position papers, working papers or draft resolutions.

SRMUN AWARDS POLICY

Each year, the SRMUN Board of Directors recognizes exceptional delegations with both Position Paper and Conference Awards using set criteria. For the Virtual SRMUN conference, awards will be announced during the Closing Ceremony. Schools within the United States will receive their awards via mail.

POSITION PAPER AWARDS

Before the start of the conference, delegates utilize the SRMUN website to submit Position Papers for each committee in which their assigned Member State is represented. These two-page Position Papers are graded by our volunteer committee staff using a standard rubric. Once all on-time papers are graded, delegation scores are calculated. The highest scoring delegations among these receive an Outstanding Position Papers Award during the SRMUN Closing Ceremony.

The Position Paper evaluation scores are emailed to Faculty Advisors after the Faculty Advisors' Meeting with the Board on the final day of the conference. The evaluation sheets explain how delegations scored in several metrics. Late papers will be graded, if possible, but any late or missing Position Papers will make that entire delegation ineligible for Position Paper awards. An example feedback sheet is available at:

http://www.srmun.org/docs/sample_pp_scoring.pdf.

SRMUN POLICIES

POSITION PAPER AWARDS *continued...*

Outstanding Position Paper Awards will be announced and distributed during the Closing Ceremony. At SRMUN Virtual, evaluation scores are emailed to Faculty Advisors and awards will be sent by mail.

COMMITTEE DELEGATION AWARDS

Delegations are nominated by SRMUN conference staff and awarded the Committee Delegation Award, which will be announced during either in the final committee session or the SRMUN Closing Ceremony. Delegations that show superior skills in their preparation and presentation of their Member State, as specifically noted in their committee, are recognized for their specific contributions through this award. The breakdown of Committee Delegations Awards is as follows: Each large-size committee will receive up to six awards, each medium-size committee will receive up to four awards, and each small committee will receive up to two awards.

CONFERENCE DELEGATION AWARDS

During the conference, our volunteer committee staff nominates exceptional delegate performance in each committee at the end of each session. The following criteria are used to determine the merit of each delegation:

- **Caucusing** - Does the delegation make a concerted effort to work with other delegations during informal debate? Do they attempt to incorporate nations outside of their respective regional bloc while maintaining character?
- **Diplomacy** - Does the delegation work to find cohesion and compromise among their fellow Member States? Does the delegation take a respectful, educated, and professional approach to working with other committee delegates?
- **Participation** - Does the delegation articulate their policies and beliefs succinctly and efficiently? Do they use their persuasive skills to engage other delegates while maintaining a diplomatic approach?
- **Preparation** - Does the delegation adequately represent the policies of their Member State in the context of the topic? Do they have a solid understanding of the topics and scope of the committee as it pertains to the Member State they are representing? Have they provided research and documentation to support their convictions? Do they organize their thoughts to effectively articulate the changes they are advocating through the delivery of the committee?

- **Resolution Writing** - Does the delegation contribute substantive material to be used in the production of working papers? Do they work effectively with other committee delegates to generate working papers that are relevant to the topic and within the scope of the committee?

These nominations are then tallied by the SRMUN Board. Final scores are calculated as follows:

The number of committees in which each delegation (Member State) is represented is multiplied by the number of committee sessions (usually 6). This is the maximum theoretical score each delegation may achieve. For example, if the delegation for China is represented in 7 committees, their maximum theoretical score is $7 * 6 = 42$. The actual number of times throughout all six committee sessions that a delegation is nominated is then divided by this number to arrive at a fractional score.

In our example, assume China was nominated 38 times throughout the conference. The delegation for China will receive a fractional score of $38 / 42 = 0.90476$.

At the end of the conference, all delegations are ranked in descending order by their fractional score. Fractional scores are not reported and will not be released publicly. The highest-scoring delegations receive an Outstanding Delegation Award, followed by Distinguished Delegation, and Honorable Delegation. The total number of awards given at the SRMUN Closing Ceremony will vary from year to year, depending on the number of delegations in attendance. Not all delegations will receive an award.

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SRMUN RULES OF PROCEDURE

RULES ARE LISTED IN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Motion *	Purpose	Debate	Vote
Point of Order	Correct an error in procedure	None	None
Appeal the decision of the chair	Challenge a decision of the Chair	None	2/3
Suspension of the Meeting for an Unmoderated Caucus	Recess Meeting	None	Majority
Suspension of the Meeting for a Moderated Caucus	Recess Meeting	None	Majority
Adjournment of the Meeting	End Meeting	None	Majority
Adjournment of Debate	End debate without a substantive vote	2 pro/2 con	2/3 (Roll call)
Closure of Debate	Move to an immediate vote	2 con	2/3
Division of the Question (1st Vote)	Vote to consider operative clauses separately	2 pro/2con	Majority
Adopt by Acclamation	Accept a Draft Resolution by consensus	None	No opposition
Roll Call Vote	Vote by roll call	None	None
Reconsideration	Re-open debate on an issue	2 con	2/3
Set Speaker's Time	Set or change speaker's time limit	2 pro/2 con	Majority
Close/Reopen Speaker's List	No additional speakers added/ to again permit additional speakers	None	Majority
Adoption of Agenda	Approval of agenda order	None	Majority

**The 5 motions that are shaded are the only ones that can be used during voting procedure. These are also listed in order of precedence.*

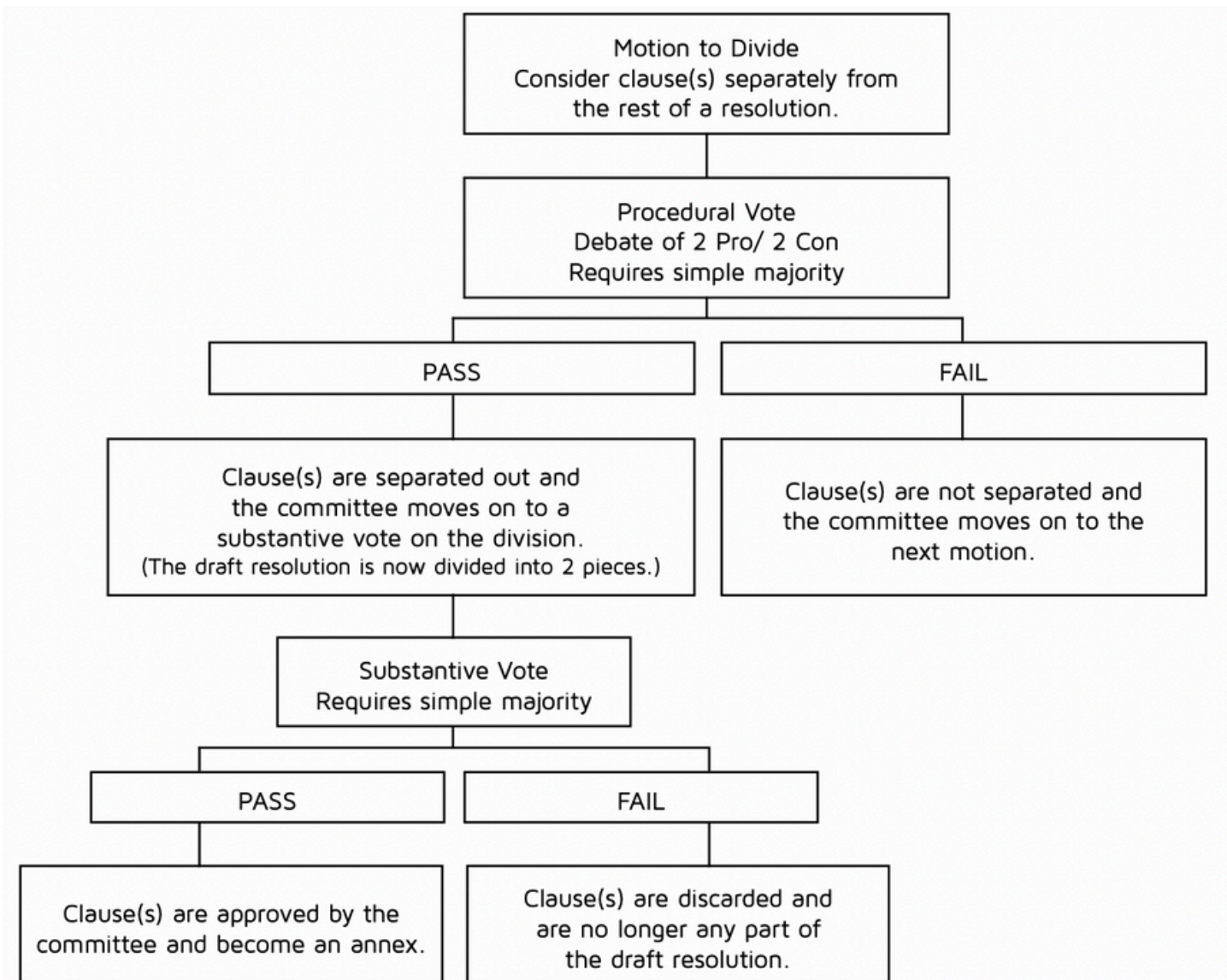
DIVISION OF THE QUESTION

WHY DO YOU MOTION TO DIVIDE THE QUESTION?

During voting procedures, a delegate may move for the division of the question motion if they want to highlight a particularly important or critical operative clause(s).

In highlighting the clause, Member States in support would vote “yes” in the procedural vote and then “yes” for the substantive vote. If the substantive vote passes, the highlighted clauses become a separate annex with the original preambulatory clauses from the original draft resolution.

THE PROCESS:



UNMODERATED CAUCUSING

Unmoderated caucuses, one of two forms of the suspension of the meeting at SRMUN, is an essential part of your committee experience. These intermittent breaks from formal debate allow delegates the freedom to move about the committee room and discuss the topic at hand with their fellow delegates.

During unmoderated caucuses, you will collaborate and negotiate with the other committee members to create working papers that will move toward becoming draft resolutions.

MOTIONING FOR AN UNMODERATED CAUCUS

- During formal debate, any delegate can request an unmoderated caucus by motioning for the “suspension of the meeting for an unmoderated caucus.”
- A delegate must also state the length of time that you want the caucus to last. The maximum amount of time allowed is 30 minutes.
- Example: “Nigeria moves for a suspension of the meeting for the purpose of an unmoderated caucus for a period of 20 minutes.”
- Once the dais accepts the motion, a vote will be taken and a simple majority is required for the motion to pass.
- If multiple motions for unmoderated caucus are on the table, the body will vote on them by most disruptive to least disruptive. For example, if motions are entertained for 20 minutes and 30 minutes, the longer length of time will be voted upon first. Also for this example, if the 30-minute unmoderated caucus passes, the 20-minute motion will be removed from the floor from further consideration.
- Motions for suspension of the meeting are not applicable during voting procedures.

TIPS FOR CAUCUSING EFFECTIVELY: TAKE THE DIPLOMACY CHALLENGE!

Discuss	Past resolutions, sub topics, data, charts, maps, etc. are valuable keys to creating solid resolutions and will be very helpful to you and your fellow delegates. Offer these items during your discussions.
Invite	Ask other members of your regional bloc to join you in discussion.
Plan	Choose which ideas are most important and which ones have room for negotiation.
Listen	Allowing other delegates to speak will add to the discussion and help flush out possible solutions.
One on One	Incorporate individuals that you may not have heard from and get their opinions on the issues.
Mind the time	Stay focused on the topic and the discussions which will lead to the creation of a thought out and widely supported resolution.
Ask questions	If you disagree with another delegate, calmly ask questions that will help you better understand their position. Find out if there is any common ground and focus on ideas that you can agree on.
Connect	Establish great relationships by learning your fellow delegate’s names, and more about their ideas.
Yes	The ultimate goal is a resolution that the committee will vote on. Keep that in mind by respecting other delegates to the fullest during your negotiations.

MODERATED CAUCUSING

The moderated caucus allows committees to focus on a specific facet of the topic at hand for a detailed discussion. The motion for these caucuses will delineate the overall time, speaker's time, and subject of the caucus. There is no speaker's list, and delegates will raise placards to be called upon in order to speak. The maximum time for a moderated caucus is 20 minutes. The moderated caucus is useful to focus the committee on a specific sub-topic for consideration.

How to Motion for a Moderated Caucus:

- During formal debate, any delegate can request a moderated caucus by making the following motion: "(Member State) moves for a suspension of the meeting for the purpose of a ___ minute moderated caucus with a speaker's time of ___, discussing ___."
 - Example: "Spain moves for a suspension of the meeting for the purpose of a 20-minute moderated caucus, with a speaker's time of 45 seconds, discussing financing for draft resolution 1-1."
- Remember, you must include (1) total length of time; (2) speakers time; and (3) topic for discussion for every moderated caucus motion.
- Once the dais accepts the motion, a vote will be taken and a simple majority is required for the motion to pass
- Motions for suspension of the meeting are not applicable during voting procedures

Things to remember and consider:

- If the motion for moderated caucus passes, the chair will ask the delegation that made the motion if they reserve the right to speak first. Delegations may reserve this right, or refuse. They may not reserve the right to speak last.
- If the motion for moderated caucus fails, the committee may move back into formal debate or continue voting on motions that are still on the floor.
- Unmoderated caucuses take precedence over moderated caucuses.
- Moderated caucuses remain on the table for voting once a different moderated caucus or an unmoderated caucus has expired.
- Make sure to clearly define your topic for consideration in the moderated caucus. Get a feel of the committee with regards to the topic of moderated caucus, giving you an idea of how specific to make the topic.
- If delegates are not raising their placards to speak, the chair may use their discretion to end the moderated caucus prior to the end of the stated time.

HOW TO BE AN EFFECTIVE DELEGATE

Effective delegates possess the skills to communicate and compromise. The work of the United Nations is a collaboration of different viewpoints and policies; however, most all resolutions passed by the bodies are by consensus. There are several keys to working successfully in your committee:

Research: Topics at SRMUN are ever-changing issues facing our global society, and as such, research on these topics often update from when Position Papers are submitted. Delegates are welcome to conduct supplemental research during the conference; however, developments on the topics are suspended once the SRMUN Opening Ceremony begins, except for Security Council.

Caucusing allows the free flow of ideas and conversation. Outside of the unmoderated and moderated caucus time in sessions, delegates can initiate these conversations over breaks. Please review the unmoderated caucusing on the prior page and be sure to practice DIPLOMACY.

Moderated caucuses allow delegates to have a rapid exchange of ideas in a more formal setting. The caucus works like a conversation, with the Chair facilitating the debate, and no speaker's list.

PREAMBULATORY CLAUSES

The preamble of a draft resolution states the reasons for which the committee is addressing the topic and highlights past international action on the issue. Each clause begins with a present participle (called a preambulatory phrase) and ends with a comma.

Preambulatory clauses can include:

- References to the UN Charter;
- Citations of past UN resolutions or treaties on the topic under discussion;
- Mentions of statements made by the Secretary-General or a relevant UN body or agency;
- Recognition of the efforts of regional or non-governmental organizations in dealing with the issue; and
- General statements on the topic, its significance and its impact.

SAMPLE PREAMBULATORY CLAUSES

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affirming • Alarmed by • Approving • Aware of • Bearing in mind • Believing • Confident • Contemplating • Convinced • Declaring • Deeply concerned • Deeply conscious • Deeply convinced • Deeply disturbed • Deeply regretting • Desiring • Emphasizing • Expecting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expressing its appreciation • Expressing its satisfaction • Fulfilling • Fully alarmed • Fully aware • Fully believing • Further deploring • Further recalling • Guided by • Having adopted • Having considered • Having considered further • Having devoted attention • Having examined • Having heard • Having received • Having studied | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keeping in mind • Noting with regret • Noting with deep concern • Noting with satisfaction • Noting further • Noting with approval • Observing • Reaffirming • Realizing • Recalling • Recognizing • Referring • Seeking • Taking into account • Taking into consideration • Taking note • Viewing with appreciation • Welcoming |
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OPERATIVE CLAUSES

Operative clauses identify the actions or recommendations made in a resolution. Each operative clause begins with a verb (called an operative phrase) and ends with a semicolon. Operative clauses should be organized in a logical progression, with each containing a single idea or proposal, and are always numbered. If a clause requires further explanation, bulleted lists set off by letters can also be used. After the last operative clause, the resolution ends in a period.

SAMPLE OPERATIVE CLAUSES

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accepts • Affirms • Approves • Authorizes • Calls • Calls upon • Condemns • Confirms • Congratulates • Considers • Declares accordingly • Deplores • Designates • Draws the attention • Emphasizes • Encourages | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endorses • Expresses its appreciation • Expresses its hope • Further invites • Deplores • Designates • Draws the attention • Emphasizes • Encourages • Endorses • Expresses its appreciation • Expresses its hope • Further proclaims • Further reminds • Further recommends • Further requests | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further resolves • Has resolved • Notes • Proclaims • Reaffirms • Recommends • Regrets • Reminds • Requests • Solemnly affirms • Strongly condemns • Supports • Takes note of • Transmits • Trusts |
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TIPS TO CREATING DRAFT RESOLUTIONS

WORKING PAPERS

Before a document is accepted by the Dais, to be voted on, it is referred to as a working paper.

- Delegates need to first download the official SRMUN working paper template from any Conference Services computer or visit their SRMUN Hub committee webpage on srmunhub.org.
- A working paper must have the following attributes to be accepted as a draft resolution:
 - At least one Sponsor
 - A combination of Signatories and Sponsors to equal 25% of the committee present during the first session.
- Sponsors have had substantive additions either through direct clauses or impactful ideas to the working paper. These are the only individuals called to the Dais when edits are returned.
- Signatories are Member States who would like to see the idea debated and do not necessarily have to agree with the idea.

DRAFT RESOLUTIONS

Once a working paper has been accepted by the Dais, it is then referred to as a draft resolution

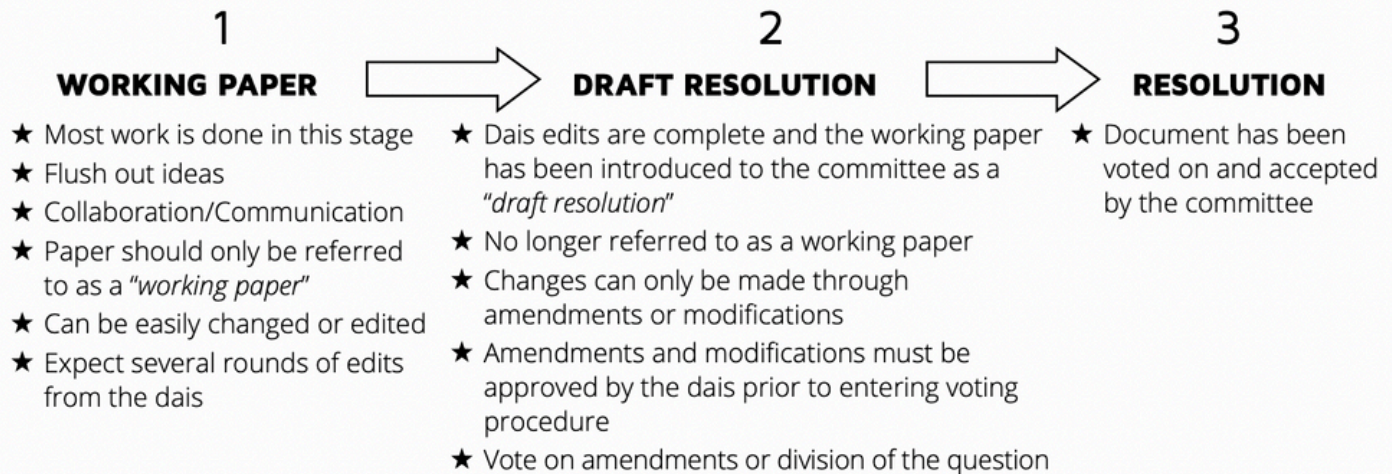
- Once a draft resolution has been accepted, preambulatory clauses cannot be altered.
- Draft resolutions will be titled based on the topic being discussed and in the order they were selected. The topics are numbered based on how the delegates have ordered them on the agenda and not necessarily how they are ordered in the background guide. Examples:
 - During topic 1, a working paper is submitted and accepted by the dais it is "Draft Resolution 1-1."
 - The next working paper submitted and accepted is then "Draft Resolution 1-2."
- During the second topic a working paper is submitted and accepted by the dais, it is now titled "Draft Resolution 2-1"
- When a working paper is accepted by the Dais to become a draft resolution, the Signatories and Sponsors are removed and this becomes a document of the body.

MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

Often a draft resolution needs changes to garner support or to build consensus. SRMUN provides for these changes through two avenues, and its Google Form is available on the SRMUN Hub:

- **Modifications** are usually small in nature, often rewording a phrase for clarity or a rearrangement of ideas. These are changes that all Sponsors of the draft resolution agree to being made. Signatory support is not required, but they are usually consulted. All modifications need to be written out on a modification form and submitted to the Dais, with the acceptance and acknowledgment of all Sponsors. There is no vote needed for modifications, they are made and introduced to the body once the Dais accepts them.
- **Amendments** are typically more drastic changes to the document and can include, but are not limited to, removing or rewording operative clauses, or changing the scope or intention of a clause. These are changes that do not have the support of all the Sponsors. Amendments require 1/4 of the delegate support to be accepted by the Dais. The Amendments are voted on prior to voting on the draft resolution it affects and require a simple majority to pass. In the case of multiple amendments, they will be voted on in order of most disruptive to least disruptive, as decided by the Dais. Passed amendments must be considered when voting on the draft resolution. Should a draft resolution include an amendment that changes the intention, a Sponsor is able to vote against said draft resolution.

EVOLUTION OF A RESOLUTION



MERGING

- Sometimes there are too many working papers with similar ideas and the Dais will ask groups to merge their working paper together.
- Don't panic! At the beginning of the committee session, work is often done in small groups and many similar ideas are often being addressed simultaneously.
- The Dais will alert each group that the papers are too similar to accept both and will ask that the groups combine and create a collaborative working paper.
- By combining multiple papers, a comprehensive work product is produced that will garner widespread support.

MERGING TIPS

- Be open-minded, flexible, and promote compromise and cooperation through diplomacy.
- Work with different groups to discuss your similar ideas and how you can create a cohesive document.
- The Dais wants the committee to be successful, so the goal of merging is to create a quality comprehensive document.

SPONSORS VS SIGNATORIES

Each working paper will require a certain number of Sponsors and Signatories to be considered as a draft resolution. The number required will vary by committee and will be announced by the Dais during the first committee session.

If you are a SPONSOR to a working paper:

- You actively assist in the authoring of the paper and you agree fully with the substance
- You must vote in favor of the working paper should it become a draft resolution
- You must approve all modifications and immediate changes to the draft resolution

If you are a SIGNATORY to a working paper:

- You do not have to agree with the substance of the paper, only that you want to see it debated
- You may vote in favor, against, or abstain should it become a draft resolution
- You may introduce amendments without the consent of the Sponsors

WORKING PAPER EXAMPLE

After acceptance as a draft resolution, a code will be assigned which the body will refer to it as. The first number refers to the topic being debated and the second is assigned by the dias.

1 Working Paper 2-6

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3 Committee: General Assembly Plenary

4 Subject: Ensuring Global Food Security

5 Sponsors: China, Comoros, Eritrea, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, and South Africa

6 Signatories: Austria, Egypt, Gabon, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Malaysia, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Russia,
7 Switzerland, United States of America, Venezuela, and Viet Nam

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9 The General Assembly,

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11 *Keeping in mind* the United Nations Millennium Project, an effort to contribute 0.7 percent of Gross National
12 Product To Official Development Assistance (ODA), pledged by international leaders at the International
13 Conference for Development and the World Summit on Sustainable Development Aid in 2002,

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15 *Fully believing* the United Nations Millennium Project to be imperative to meeting the United Nations
16 Millennium Development Goals (MDGs),

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18 *Bearing in mind* the positive correlation between the United Nations Millennium Project and
19 self-sustainability of developing Member States in order to promote long-term independence of foreign aid,

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21 *Noting with concern* that debt forgiveness is included as a misleading form of foreign developmental aid,

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23 *Observing* the rudimentary agricultural methods and resources of developing Member States as a hindrance to self-
24 sustainability,

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26 *Recognizing* the correlation between improving global food security and the cooperation among the United Nations
27 subsidiary bodies, including but not limited to the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), World Food
28 Programme (WFP), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and the United Nations Children's Fund
29 (UNICEF),

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31 1. *Reminds* Member States of the pledge to contribute to the ODA through the United Nations Millennium
32 Project, especially during this economic downturn;

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34 2. *Emphasizes* food, monetary, and technological aid as a preferred means to ensure global food security as a
35 component of the ODA rather than debt forgiveness;

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37 3. *Supports* instead targeting development aid through the transfer of technology, including but not limited to:

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- 39 a. Hybridized seed,
40 b. Fertilizers and pesticides; and,
41 c. Improved equipment and tools;

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43 4. *Encourages* the coordination among subsidiary bodies of the United Nations which work to eradicate world
44 hunger through the establishment of a platform for discussion among representatives of each body in order
45 to operate in a more cooperative and efficient manner; and,

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47 5. *Further encourages* such a forum to convene in Johannesburg, South Africa every first week of June and
48 first week of December commencing in 2012:

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- 50 a. By calling on the represented subsidiary bodies to appoint an expert from each body to create a
51 universal comprehensive agenda to avoid the mismanagement of funds and the historic problem of
overspending on certain issues while leaving others without funding, and,
b. With delegation expenses included in the allocated budget of each individual subsidiary body.

Alphabetize the
list of Member
States.

The list of Sponsors and Signatories
will be removed from the working
paper when it becomes a draft
resolution and is distributed to the
entire body as an official document of
said body.

List committee name,
followed by a comma.

After being
approved as a
draft resolution,
preambulatory
clauses cannot be
modified or
amended.

During motions for division of the question, only
entire operative clauses can be addressed. Operative
sub-clauses cannot be divided out.

Only certain committees, i.e. GA Plenary
& Security Council can add an operative
clause to stay seized of the matter.

All operative clauses (except for final one) end
with a semi-colon. Following the final
operative clause all draft resolutions end with a
period.

Always check for spelling
and grammar before
submitting any working
paper! It will save precious
time during editing!

All working papers/draft resolutions are to be typed in 10 font, Times New Roman style.

CAUCUSING BLOCS

NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION (NATO)

Albania	Lithuania
Belgium	Luxemburg
Bulgaria	Montenegro
Canada	Netherlands
Croatia	Poland
Czech Republic	Portugal
Denmark	Romania
Estonia	Slovakia
France	Slovenia
Germany	Spain
Greece	Sweden
Hungary	Turkey
Iceland	United Kingdom
Italy	United States
Latvia	

COMMONWEALTH OF INDEPENDENT STATES

Armenia	Moldova
Azerbaijan	Russia
Belarus	Tajikistan
Kazakhstan	Uzbekistan
Kyrgyzstan	

GROUP OF SEVEN (G7)

Canada	Japan
France	United Kingdom
Germany	United States
Italy	<i>*Suspended: Russia</i>

EUROPEAN UNION (EU)

Austria	Latvia
Belgium	Lithuania
Bulgaria	Luxemburg
Croatia	Netherlands
Czech Republic	Poland
Denmark	Portugal
Estonia	Romania
France	Slovakia
Germany	Slovenia
Greece	Spain
Hungary	Sweden
Italy	

AFRICAN UNION (AU)

Algeria
Angola
Botswana
Burundi
Côte d'Ivoire
Djibouti
Egypt
Equatorial Guinea
Kenya
Lesotho
Libya
Madagascar
Niger
Nigeria
South Africa
Sudan
Togo

SECURITY COUNCIL (SC)

Based on Late 2020 Membership

P5:
China
France
United Kingdom
United States
Russia

Alternating:
Estonia
India
Ireland
Kenya
Mexico
Niger
Norway
Saint Vincent & the
Grenadines
Tunisie
Viet Nam

ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES (OPEC)

Algeria	Kuwait
Angola	Libya
Congo	Nigeria
Equatorial Guinea	Saudi Arabia
Gabon	United Arab Emirates
Iran	Venezuela
Iraq	

GULF COOPERATIVE COUNCIL (GCC)

Bahrain	Saudi Arabia
Kuwait	United Arab Emirates
Oman	
Qatar	

GROUP OF TWENTY (G20)

Argentina	Italy
Australia	Japan
Brazil	Mexico
Canada	Rep. of Korea
China	Russia
European Union	Saudi Arabia
France	South Africa
Germany	Turkey
India	United Kingdom
Indonesia	United States

LEAGUE OF ARAB STATES (LAS)

Algeria	Palestine
Bahrain	Saudi Arabia
Egypt	Sudan
Iraq	Tunisia
Kuwait	United Arab Emirates
Libya	Yemen
Morocco	
Oman	

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THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL AT SRMUN

The Double Veto

Background

When the UN was created, the ultimate decisions on whether a vote in the Security Council (SC) was procedural or substantive was left up to the SC itself. On rare occasions, P-5 Member States are able to question whether an item is procedural or substantive. This motion which requires nine affirmative votes and a “yay” vote or abstention from each of the P-5 members. For instance, a P-5 member may challenge the SC President’s ruling that an issue is procedural. The SC then has a substantive vote on whether the issue is procedural or not. The P-5 member can veto this vote, making the issue substantive, then veto the original motion. This is known as the double veto. The double veto is rarely used.

SRMUN’s Security Council

The SRMUN Security Council has limited meeting time, and the desire of the committee is to maximize the available time. The SC Committee Director has the right to limit the use of the double veto on procedural issues that have minor impacts on debate such as suspension of the meeting and setting the speaker’s time. However, procedural motions such as agenda setting or inviting a party to a dispute could be subject to a potential double veto.

To call for the double veto, a member of the P-5 should raise their placard after a motion has been made, but before a vote has been taken and make the following motion:

“The delegate from the United Kingdom moves to declare this motion a procedural motion.”

For Example:

“The Delegate from Romania moves for a discussion of the Use of Pre-Emptive Force.”

The Delegate from the United Kingdom raises their placard in their left hand and is recognized:

“The Delegate from the United Kingdom moves to declare this motion a procedural motion.”

Once the President accepts this motion, the SC moves to a substantive vote on whether or not the motion to set the agenda is procedural. A “yes” vote means that it is procedural; a “no” vote means that it is substantive. If the UK votes no, then the motion to set the agenda is considered substantive. At this point, the SC votes substantively on the motion to set the agenda. A no vote from any member of the P-5 will veto the motion.

If you have any questions about these issues or any other SC related question, please do not hesitate to consult your Director, Assistant Director, the Director-General, or Deputy Director-General.

The Dias has ruled a vote procedural, and a member of the Committee does not agree. The delegate then raises their placard in their left hand to motion for a vote to challenge the procedural nature of the vote.

The Committee then votes on whether or not the vote is procedural.

If the vote receives nine or more “yeas” AND all of the P5 vote in the affirmative or abstain, the vote remains procedural and the Committee retakes the vote.

If the vote does not receive nine or more “yeas” AND an affirmative vote or abstention from all P5 members, the vote becomes substantive and the Committee retakes the vote as a substantive vote.

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

TIMELINE STRUCTURE:

- Committee Begins: Chief Justice gives opening speech.
- Chief Justice allows all Justices to ask any questions they may have about the procedure.
- Chief Justice allows the Applicant and Respondent a quick break to prepare for the first case.
- Case I begins:
 - 20-minute presentation by Applicant.
 - 15-minute cross-examination by Respondent.
 - 15-minute questioning of the Applicant by Justices
 - 20-minute presentation by Respondent.
 - 15-minute cross-examination by the Applicant.
 - 15-minute questioning of the Respondent by Justices.
 - 5-minute closing remarks by Respondent.
 - 5-minute closing remarks by Applicant.
 - Advocates excused followed by 60-minute deliberation period from Justices.
 - After the 60-minute period of deliberation, the Applicant and Respondent will re-enter the room and the Judgement and any Dissents will be read.
 - A brief break to allow for the Applicant and Respondent of the next case to prepare.
 - Repeat the same process as Case I, with Cases II, III, and IV.

MOTIONS IN ICJ

Motions in the ICJ are handled differently than in other committees. While the Chief Justice is the final authority on the validity of any motion within the Court, the following are some common motions that are generally acceptable in the ICJ:

- Motion to extend questioning or deliberations: This motion would be acceptable if a Justice believes that more time is needed for questioning an Advocate or for closed deliberations. To pass, this motion requires a majority of the Justices and approval of the Chief Justice. Advocates may not make this motion.
- Motion to end questioning or deliberations: This motion shall be valid if a Justice believes that adequate time has passed during the questioning or deliberation process and that the respective period should be ended early. This motion requires a majority of the Justices and approval of the Chief Justice. Advocates may not make this motion.
- Objections should be made in a respectful manner, and they should be used minimally to avoid disruption in the Court.
- The Chief Justice reserves the right to rule on the merits of any objections.
- Objections should be made on law or procedure, and not simply on whether or not the Advocate or Justice agrees or disagrees with a statement.

ICJ JUDGEMENT EXAMPLE

CASE CONCERNING THE DISPUTE REGARDING NAVIGATIONAL AND RELATED RIGHTS (COSTA RICA V. NICARAGUA)

The case title & the specific Member States involved are listed in bold, underlined, and capitalized.

The entire judgment should be 10 font and Times New Roman style.

Present:

Indent and list all those present here. Role is italicized and last name is capitalized. Each name followed by comma. List is ended with a period. Ex.: *President YAY, Judges OWEN, MET, HOEY.*

The italicized Summary, in 200 or more words, but not exceeding one page, details the case's purpose, intentions, and what occurred within court.

SUMMARY OF THE JUDGMENT OF 13 JULY 2009

The Summary's date must be the same date as when the judgment is read to advocates.

The Court begins by recalling that, on 29 September 2005, the Republic of Costa Rica (hereinafter "Costa Rica") filed in the Registry of the Court an Application instituting proceedings against the Republic of Nicaragua (hereinafter "Nicaragua") with regard to a "dispute concerning navigational and related rights of Costa Rica on the San Juan River."

The Court observes that, in its Application, Costa Rica seeks to found the jurisdiction of the Court on the declaration it made on 20 February 1973 under Article 36, paragraph 2, of the Statute, as well as on the declaration which Nicaragua made on 24 September 1929 under Article 36 of the Statute of the Permanent Court of International Justice and which is deemed, pursuant to Article 36, paragraph 5, of the Statute of the present Court, for the period which it still has to run, to be acceptance of the compulsory jurisdiction of this Court. In addition, Costa Rica invokes as a basis of the Court's jurisdiction the provisions of Article XXXI of the American Treaty on Pacific Settlement, officially designated, according to Article LX thereof, as the "Pact of Bogotá."

The Court notes that in its final submissions, Costa Rica requests the Court to adjudge and declare that Nicaragua is in breach of its international obligations in denying to Costa Rica the free exercise of its rights of navigation and associated rights on the San Juan River. In particular, Costa Rica requests the Court to adjudge and declare that,

Summary must note the issue(s) the judges will deliberate.

"by its conduct, the Republic of Nicaragua has violated:

- (a) the obligation to allow all Costa Rican vessels and their passengers to navigate freely on the San Juan for purposes of commerce, including communication and the transportation of passengers and tourism;*
(b) the obligation not to require Costa Rican vessels and their passengers to stop at any Nicaraguan post along the River.

Insert an asterisk to separate the Summary and the below operative clause section.

The operative clause order below, which may exceed one page, notes the judges' vote count and their finding(s).

THE COURT,

(1) As regards Costa Rica's navigational rights on the San Juan river under the 1858 Treaty, in that part where navigation is common,

(a) Unanimously,

Finds that the right of navigation for purposes of commerce enjoyed by Costa Rica includes the transport of tourists;

(b) By nine votes to five,

Finds that persons travelling on the San Juan river on board Costa Rican vessels exercising Costa Rica's right of free navigation are not required to obtain Nicaraguan visas.

Judges' vote count after the underlined letter of issue(s) deliberated, followed by a comma.

Continuous finding(s) or rejection(s) should be brief, followed by a semicolon. The very last finding ends with a period.

Judges' last names are listed only when a decision isn't unanimous. Each dissenting judge must explain their vote for the judgment's annex.

IN FAVOUR: President Owada; Judges Shi, Buergenthal, Abraham, Keith, Bennouna, Cançado Trindade, Yusuf, Greenwood;

AGAINST: Judges Koroma, Al-Khasawneh, Sepúlveda-Amor, Skotnikov; Judge ad hoc Guillaume.

End the document with a period.

Document should be signed by the Chief Justice and Assistant Chief Justice.

ICJ DISSENT SUMMARY EXAMPLE

**CASE CONCERNING THE CONVENTION ON THE PREVENTION AND PUNISHMENT OF
THE CRIME OF GENOCIDE**
(Republic of Croatia v. Republic of Serbia)

*Present: President SCHLITT, Vice President DOSCHER; Judges BOYTER, MCCLENDON,
NUNEZ, PAPENDICK*

SUMMARY OF THE DISSENTS OF 17 NOVEMBER 2018

THE COURT,

(1) As regards the decision in the case of *Croatia v. Serbia* on the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, affirms the below dissents from the majority opinion regarding the respective questions;

(2) Regarding the decision of the Court that Genocide had been committed against ethnic Croats, Justice Papendick respectfully dissent with the following statement:

(a) In the opinion of Justice Papendick, the Court has erred in ruling the actions of Serbia against Croatia as genocide. With regard to the Croatian claim, the Justice finds that Serbian forces had committed acts falling under subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c) of Article II of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide. Taking that view, however, a sufficient genocidal intent had not been established by the Applicant or evidence provided to the Court;

(3) Regarding the decision of the Court that the intention of the Serbian government to commit genocide against ethnic Croats, Justices Boyter, McClendon, and Nunez respectfully dissent with the following statement:

(a) In the opinion of Justices Boyter, McClendon and Nunez, the Krajina Serbs' commitment of genocide was aided and supported by the Serbian government. Financial aid that was given to the Krajina Serbs by the Serbian government disguised as humanitarian aid was, in fact, military aid used to commit genocide. We note that the Krajina Serbs' ideology of Greater Serbia was the ideology causing and supporting the genocide of ethnic Croats. The Serbian government should have recognized that military aid given to this group would have been used to commit genocide against ethnic Croats. The Justices find that this shows that the Serbian government supplied weapons and aid to the Krajina Serbs with the knowledge and intent to commit genocide. The Serbian government intended for the Krajina Serbs to commit genocide and the acts would not and could not have been committed without the military aid by the Serbian government. The dissenting Justices recognizes the request of Croatia to hold Serbia liable for reasonable reparations for the violations of the Genocide Convention and for the damages to Croatian persons and property.

While Justices have the ability to author dissenting judgements, it is not mandatory!

Just because it is a dissent does not mean you can't recognize the validity of the opposing sides arguments!

(Signed) Chief Justice Lydia Schlitt, President.

(Signed) Assistant Chief Justice Jessica Doscher, Registrar.

Title should include the topic of the case

List the names of judges who have signed on to the dissent

Great opportunity for even individual justices to give their own reasoning for disagreeing with the judgement

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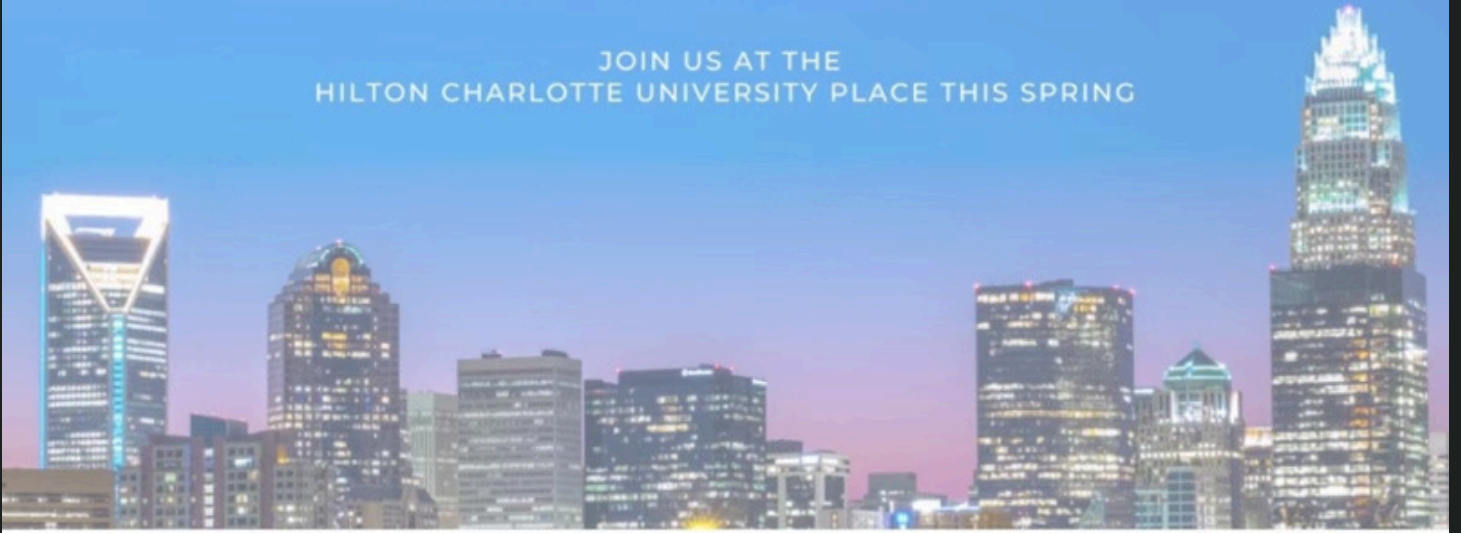
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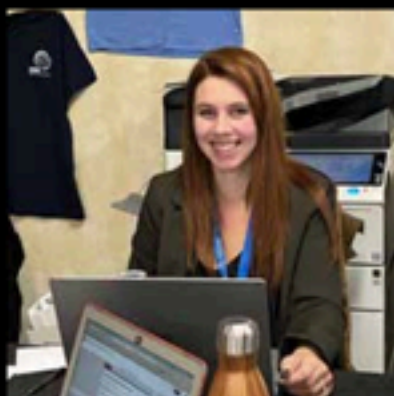
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