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## NOTES

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# Model United Nations – February 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

DUE DATE	DESCRIPTION	FEE
9-20-19	--CLUB REGISTRATION FORMS DUE --INDIVIDUAL STUDENT REGISTRATION FORMS DUE --STUDENT CLUB FEES DUE	\$30.00 PER STUDENT
12-10-19	COUNTRY REQUEST DEADLINE • SPONSORS SUBMIT VIA GOOGLE FORM	N/A
JANUARY 2020	INTENT TO RUN FORMS FOR SECRETARY GENERAL SUBMITTED BY CANDIDATE AT PRE-MUN EITHER ONLINE OR IN PERSON  --All other position intent forms may be submitted at Pre-MUN or at the MUN conference  --Forms can be found on the <a href="http://www.layouthandgovernment.org">www.layouthandgovernment.org</a> MUN page	N/A
JANUARY 2020  BATON ROUGE JAN. 7 <sup>TH</sup>  NEW ORLEANS JAN. 8 <sup>TH</sup>  ALEXANDRIA JAN. 9 <sup>TH</sup>  ST. TAMMANY JAN. 14 <sup>TH</sup>  MONROE JAN. 15 <sup>TH</sup>  SHREVEPORT JAN. 16 <sup>TH</sup>  ACADIANA JAN. 16 <sup>TH</sup>	PRE-MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE DISTRICT MEETINGS: --TIMES: 6:00-8:00 PM --LOCATIONS FOR EACH DISTRICT MEETING POSTED ON WEBSITE	NO PRE-MUN DISTRICT FEES THIS YEAR
01-21-20	CONFERENCE FEES DUE & CLUB CONFERENCE REGISTRATION PACKET DUE TO YMCA (ONE PER SCHOOL) --REGISTRATION PACKET CAN BE SUBMITTED VIA MAIL (SEE BELOW) OR EMAIL <a href="mailto:layoutgov@ymcabr.org">layoutgov@ymcabr.org</a>  <b>SPONSORS MAIL PAYMENTS TO:</b> YMCA Youth & Government P.O. BOX 66212 Government St. Baton Rouge, LA 70806	\$215.00 PER STUDENT & \$215.00 PER ADVISOR ROOM
01-21-20	COUNTRY DATA SHEETS AND POSITION STATEMENTS DUE --Delegates submit online on the <a href="http://www.layouthandgovernment.org">www.layouthandgovernment.org</a> MUN page	N/A
FEBRUARY 13 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> 2020	MODEL UNITED NATION (MUN) CONFERENCE HOLIDAY INN SOUTH 9990 AIRLINE HWY BATON ROUGE, LA 70816	N/A (ALREADY SUBMITTED)

# COUNCIL PROCEDURES

## RESOLUTION WRITING

- I. Roll Call – Presiding Officer
  - II. Topic Presentation – Presiding Officer
  - III. Questions on the Topic [4 minutes] – Delegates
  - IV. Position Statement Presentations [1 minute per country] – Delegates
  - V. Idea Sharing and General Discussion [10 minutes] – Delegates
  - VI. Collaboration and Resolution Writing [22 minutes] – Delegates
  - VII. Resolution Presentation [1 minute per Resolution] – Resolution Author
  - VIII. Resolution Ranking [1 minute] – Delegates
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## GENERAL DEBATE

- I. Presentation of Docket – Presiding Officer
  - II. Resolution Debate
    - a. Read Resolution – Presiding Officer
    - b. Opening Statement [3 minutes] – Resolution Author
    - c. Technical Questions [3 minutes]
    - d. Debate Round [12 minutes]- AMENDMENTS ARE IN ORDER FROM AFTER THE FIRST SPEAKER UNTIL AROUND 10 MINUTES INTO DEBATE
      - i. Alternates between
        1. Opposition [2 minutes]
        2. Proposition [2 minutes]
- Amendment Process (only if deemed hostile)**

  - I. Amendment Presentation [2 minutes] – Author
  - II. Technical Questions [1 minute]
  - III. Debate Round [4 minute]
    - a. Alternates between
      - Opposition [1 minute]
      - Proposition [1 minute]
  - IV. Comments [1 minute] – Proposal Author
  - V. Amendment Summary [1 minute] – Amendment Author
- e. Resolution Author Summary [2 minutes]
  - f. Country Caucus [1 minute]
  - g. Country Vote (one representative per country)

# COUNCIL PROCEDURES

## RESOLUTION WRITING

- I. In council meetings the Presiding Officer will present topic of debate.
  - II. There will be 4 minutes for questions on the topic.
  - III. Each country will be given the opportunity to present their country's position on the topic. Presentations will be 1 minute each. Countries are not required to present positions, but this is recommended for partnership with other countries in writing proposals. Delegates will use position statements to develop a Resolution on specific topics. This will be the only guaranteed time for a country to speak.
  - IV. Presiding Officer will facilitate the sharing of general ideas on the topic with the entire council for 10 minutes.
  - V. There will 22 minutes for countries with similar ideas to collaborate to write proposal on the assigned topic. The proposed Resolution must have 4 country signatures before being submitted to the Chair.
  - VI. After Resolutions have been written the Resolution Author(s) will have 1 minute for brief Resolution summary.
  - VII. Each country will then rank the Resolutions for that topic. (Around 1 minute)
  - VIII. Ranking sheets will determine top Resolutions for each topic. This will be used to set the Docket for General Debate session on Friday. Dockets will be posted Friday morning.
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## GENERAL DEBATE

- I. On Friday, each council will go into General Debate for all Resolutions on the Docket.
  - a. During debate of Resolutions, an Amendment may be submitted. Amendment procedures are to be followed.
  - b. Voting – The Presiding Officer will allow up to 1 minute for countries to “caucus,” or decide how the country will vote. Each country gets ONE vote.
    - Note: For Security Council, the Russian Federation, China, U.S., U.K., and France may veto any Resolution they come across.

## COUNCIL OVERVIEW

### Resolution Writing:

- Presiding Officer calls roll
- Presiding Officer presents topic to resolve
- Questions on Topic 4 minutes
- Country Position Statements 1 minute per country
- Idea Sharing on Possible Resolutions 10 minutes
- Country collaboration for proposal writing 22 minutes
- Resolution Authors Summary Presentation 1 minute per Resolution
- Ranking on the Resolutions 1 minute

### General Debate:

- Presiding Officers will post the Docket for General Debate based off Resolution rankings
- Docket will comprise of Resolutions from all topics
- Debate per Resolution ≈ 26 minutes
- Presiding Officers will create Plenary Docket from Resolutions passed in Councils.

# GENERAL DEBATE PROCEDURES

If the council the Resolution was referred to ranks it favorably, and if the Presiding Officer places it on the Docket, the Sponsor(s) shall present the Resolution to the appropriate council.

## PROCEDURES FOR RESOLUTION CONSIDERATION ON THE FLOOR

### RESOLUTION SPONSOR'S OPENING STATEMENT 3 MINUTES

- Sponsor may use all three (3) minutes.
- Sponsor may use part and yield rest to technical questions, closing statements, or the Chair.

### TECHNICAL QUESTIONS 3 MINUTES

- The Presiding Officer will open the floor to Technical Questions (non-debateable, yes, no, or fact-based questions) from the floor. The Presiding Officer will recognize members of the body to question the Resolution Sponsor(s) on any matter relating to the content of the Resolution in question, until time expires.
- The Presiding Officer has the authority to deem questions germane (relevant to the Resolution) or not germane.
- In the event the delegate wishes to ask more than one technical question, he/she will say the following: "Will the Author(s) yield to a series of questions?" The Sponsor(s) may refuse. Speaking after is not allowed in this round.

### DEBATE 12 MINUTES

- The Presiding Officer will open the floor to General Debate on the Resolution in which members of the body may express their opinions on the Resolution.
- Each delegate may speak for a maximum of two (2) minutes.
- In the event a delegate does not use all two (2) minutes, they may yield to another delegate to speak, or to the Sponsor's closing statements. The yielded-to delegate may speak for the remainder of the original two (2) minutes given by the Chair, but they must yield to the Chair when they are finished speaking since time may not be yielded to another speaker if it has been yielded once before.
- The Presiding Officer will alternate between speakers in opposition and speakers in proposition of the Resolution. The first speaker recognized should be in opposition to the Resolution, and then the Presiding Officer will call for a propositional speaker until 3 rounds of opp/prop debate (12 minutes) have expired.
- The speaker may ask the Resolution Sponsor(s) a question or a series of questions upon being recognized by saying "Will the Author(s) yield to a question/series of questions?" The speaker may engage in debate before and/or after the question(s).
- Members of the body may also propose Amendments upon being recognized by the Chair. In the event an Amendment is deemed hostile, or not accepted, by the Resolution Sponsor(s), the following procedure will take place:

<b>AMENDMENT DEBATE AND VOTE</b>	<b>9 MINUTES</b>
Amendment Sponsor's Opening Statement	2 minutes
Questions	1 minute

General Debate on the Amendment	4 minutes
Original Resolution Sponsor's Statements	1 minute
Amendment Sponsor's Closing Statements	1 minute

- For a full explanation of the Amendment process, see "Explanations of Parliamentary Motions and Points" below.

#### **RESOLUTION SPONSOR CLOSING STATEMENT**

**2 MINUTES**

- Once debate has closed on the Resolution, the Presiding Officer will recognize the Resolution Sponsor(s) to deliver their Closing Statement, or present their arguments for final passage, for the last time.
- In the event the Sponsor(s) have unused, yielded time from their Opening Statement, or a delegate, the total time available to the Sponsor(s) will be two (2) minutes plus the yielded time.

#### **FINAL READING OF RESOLUTION AND VOTE**

- The Presiding Officer will convene a vote for final action on the Resolution
- The Resolution will be read by title only for the final time by the Clerk.
- There will be a 1-minute country caucus to confer with countrymen to render a vote.
- The Presiding Officer will ask countries for a voice vote indicating an Aye, Nay, Abstain, or Pass towards the vote on the Resolution. Pass votes will be returned to after the initial roll call is complete. Voting is conducted by country roll call. Each country may only vote only once. Votes may not be changed once they are given. A simple majority (1/2) is required for passage.

## **PLENARY COUNCIL PROCEDURES**

1. The Secretary General, with input from the Presiding Officers, will determine the Plenary Docket and display for the conference to see. These Resolutions are the top Resolutions from each council.
2. Countries will be arranged in a country roll call order for the Plenary Session.
3. Debate will proceed based on the order of the Docket.

Note: Amendments may not be submitted during the Plenary Session.

## **PLENARY SESSION OVERVIEW**

- Presiding Officer calls roll
- Presiding Officer presents Docket
- Debate  $\approx$  26 minutes per Resolution

# EXPLANATIONS OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

Only the following motions and points are allowed during debate.

For all motions, save motions to amend legislation, the following procedure will be used:

- A delegate may seek recognition from the Presiding Officer by rising and saying, "Sir/Mister/Madame Chair I move to..."
- If the Presiding Officer deems the motion appropriate, he/she will call for a second.
- If a second is given, the Presiding Officer will then ask for objections.
  - If there are no objections, the motion is immediately adopted.
  - If there is an objection or multiple objections, the Presiding Officer will convene a vote.
    - The required majority varies for each motion.

## 1. Amendments to Resolutions

- Motions to amend Resolutions are allowed at any point during the opp/prob debate portion, except before the second speaker and after the second-to-last speaker. They may not interrupt speakers.
- These motions have the effect of changing the verbiage of Resolutions.
- After the Committee Chair or Presiding Officer recognizes a delegate to speak during Debate, he/she will move to amend the Resolution. "I move to amend Resolution # to read..." Or "Madame/Sir Chair, I believe there is an amendment on the floor," in order to recognize the amendment.
- Upon moving to amend the Resolution, the Amendment Author will hand the completed amendment form (found at the back of the conference binder) to the Clerk or Presiding Officer.
- The Presiding Officer is empowered to deem Amendments germane (relevant) or not germane to the Resolutions in question. If it is not germane, the Amendment will not progress.
- The Presiding Officer will then ask the Resolution Sponsor(s) whether they deem the Amendment friendly or hostile to the Resolution.
  - In the event the Resolution Sponsor(s) deem the Amendment friendly, the amendment text will be immediately added to the Resolution without debate or a vote.
  - In the event the Resolution Sponsor(s) deem the Amendment hostile, the Presiding Officer will open debate on the Amendment.
    - The Amendment Sponsor will deliver an opening statement on the Amendment for a maximum of two (2) minutes.
    - The Presiding Officer will open the floor to technical questions from the floor for a maximum of one (1) minute.
    - The Presiding Officer will open the floor to Debate. Each recognized speaker may speak for a maximum of one (1) minute. Upon the conclusion of each speaker's speech, the Chair will immediately take back the floor in order to recognize another speaker. The total time for Debate shall not exceed four (4) minutes.
    - The Presiding Officer will then recognize the Resolution Sponsor(s) to deliver comments on the Amendment for a maximum of one (1) minute.

- The presiding officer will then recognize the Amendment Sponsor for a Closing Statement for a maximum of one (1) minute.
  - The Presiding Officer will then convene a voice vote on the Amendment.
  - A simple majority (1/2) is required for passage.
- If a hostile amendment is approved by the body, the Presiding Officer will resume General Debate on the Resolution as amended.
  - In the event a delegate wishes to amend the Amendment, the above process will take place with the secondary Amendment. Tertiary amendments are not allowed.
- All debate must remain relevant to the question at hand, whether it be the Resolution, an Amendment, or a secondary Amendment.

## 2. The Previous Question

- Motions for the previous question are allowed at any point during General Debate of Resolutions or Amendments. They may not interrupt speakers.
- Moving the previous question cuts off Debate and moves straight to the Closing Statement.
- In the event this motion comes during debate on an Amendment, the delegate must specify which question to move:
  - "I move the previous question on the Amendment."  
This motion cuts off debate on the Amendment and moves straight into the comments from the Resolution Sponsor(s).
  - "I move the previous question on the Resolution."  
This motion cuts off debate on both the Amendment and the Resolution and moves straight into the Resolution Sponsor's Closing Statement on the Resolution.
- A two-thirds (2/3) majority is required for passage.

## 3. Table/Remove from the Table

- Motions to table legislation are allowed at any point during convened sessions of debate. They may not interrupt speakers.
- Moving to table legislation defers consideration of the instrument (i.e. Resolution or Amendment).
- There are three (3) possible options with motions to table:
  - General Motion to Table: This motion simply lays the instrument on the table and may be removed from the table at any point.
    - "I move to table [insert Resolution name]."
    - An instrument laid on the table may be removed from the table with a corresponding motion.
      - "I move to remove [insert Resolution name] from the table."
    - The instrument will be returned to its original place on the Docket. If the chamber has moved beyond that point on the Docket, a motion to suspend the rules and rearrange the Docket may be used.
  - Motion to table for a specified amount of time: This motion defers consideration of legislation until a specified time.

- “I move to table [insert Resolution name] for X minutes/hours.”
  - Motion to table indefinitely: This motion effectively kills the instrument.
    - “I move to table [insert Resolution name] indefinitely.”
- A simple majority (1/2) vote is required for passage.

#### 4. Suspension of Rules

- Motions to suspend the rules are allowed at any point during convened sessions of debate. They may not interrupt speakers.
- These motions have the effect of adjusting rules in this handbook to satisfy the needs of the floor to properly execute debate.
- The Presiding Officer is empowered to initially deem these motions appropriate and admissible, or inappropriate and inadmissible.
- The following are common motions to suspend the rules:
  - Extend time: Delegates may use this motion to extend time for questioning or debate.
    - The motion must include a specific amount of time for extension.
    - These motions may only extend the general time for questions or debate; they may not extend times for individual speakers’ speeches or subsequent questioning.
      - “I move to suspend the rules and extend the time for questioning by two minutes.”
      - “I move to suspend the rules and extend the time for debate by one round.”
  - Rearrange the Docket: Delegates may use this motion to adjust the order of consideration of Resolutions on the Docket.
    - These motions may move a single Resolution, move multiple Resolutions, or force immediate consideration of a particular Resolution.
      - “I move to suspend the rules and rearrange the Docket so that [insert Resolution number(s)] appear(s) before [insert Resolution number].”
      - “I move to suspend the rules and immediately consider [insert Resolution number].”
- All motions to suspend the rules require a majority for passage.

#### 5. Recess

- Motions to recess are allowed at any point during either committee hearings or convened sessions of the councils. They may not interrupt speakers.
- These motions dismiss the session of a council for a specific duration of time, including a lunch break.
- The Committee Chair or Presiding Officer is empowered to not recognize a motion to recess should he/she feel it unnecessary.
- A specific length of time is required in the motion.
- “I move to recess for X min/hours.”
- A simple majority (1/2) is required for passage.

## **6. Adjournment**

- Motions to adjourn are allowed at any point during sessions of the councils. They may not interrupt speakers.
- These motions end a session of the councils.
- The Presiding Officer is empowered to not recognize a motion to adjourn should he/she feel it unnecessary.
- In the event there will be future sessions, a motion to adjourn must include a time to reconvene.
  - "I move to adjourn this session until [insert time] [insert day]."
- In the event there are no future sessions, the motion becomes a motion to adjourn sine die.
  - "I move to adjourn this session."
- A simple majority (1/2) is required for passage.

## **7. Point of Information**

- Points of Information are allowed at any point during convened sessions of the councils. They may interrupt speakers.
- A Point of Information is a statement to correct or add a fact or statistic, clarify misinformation on the floor, or to provide additional insight relevant to the debate. It is not to make an additional argument for or against the instrument at hand.
- Any delegate may rise and say, "Point of Information!" The Presiding Officer will acknowledge the point by saying, "Rise and state your point."

## **8. Point of Order**

- Points of Order are allowed at any point during convened sessions of the councils. They may interrupt speakers.
- A Point of Order is used to alert the Presiding Officer of a perceived error in parliamentary procedure.
- Any delegate may rise and say, "Point of Order!" The Presiding Officer will acknowledge the point by saying, "Rise and state your point."
- Upon hearing the Point of Order, the Presiding Officer will either correct the action in question or explain to the delegate how the action in question was in order.

## **9. Point of Parliamentary Inquiry**

- Points of Parliamentary Inquiry are allowed at any point during convened sessions of the councils. They may interrupt speakers.
- A Point of Parliamentary Inquiry is used to ask the Presiding Officer for clarification on any portion of parliamentary procedure that causes confusion.
- Any delegate may rise and say, "Point of Parliamentary Inquiry!" The Presiding Officer will acknowledge the point by saying, "Rise and state your point."
- Upon hearing the Point of Parliamentary Inquiry, the Presiding Officer will explain the point in question to the delegate.

## **10. Point of Personal Privilege**

- Points of Personal Privilege are allowed at any point convened sessions of the councils. They may interrupt speakers.
- A Point of Personal Privilege is used make a personal request during debate, including permission to vacate the chamber for a brief time.
- Any delegate may rise and say, "Point of Personal Privilege!"
- Upon hearing the Point of Personal Privilege, the Presiding Officer will either grant or deny it.

## DEBATE CHEAT SHEET

Motion	Vote	Debatable	Interrupting
Previous Question	2/3	No	No
Point of Order	Chair	No	Yes
Point of Personal Privilege	Chair	No	Yes
Point of Information	Chair	No	Yes
Suspend the Rules			
a. Withdraw a Motion	a. Majority	a. No	a. No
b. Table or Extend Debate	b. Majority	b. No	b. No
c. Change Calendar	c. Majority	c. No	c. No
To Recess	Majority	Yes	No
To Adjourn	Majority	Yes	No
Time for Reassembling	Majority	Yes	No
Change Agenda	2/3	Yes	No

## NOTES

# MUN FLOOR DEBATE

## PART A: RESOLUTION WRITING

- PRESIDING OFFICER: "The topic for Resolution is \_\_\_\_\_."  
(Provide a brief summary of the topic)  
"There will be 4 minutes for questions on this topic."
- PRESIDING OFFICER: "We will now allow delegates to present their country's position on this topic. Each presentation will be a maximum of 1 minute. Are there any countries that wish to present their nation's position on this topic?"  
(Write down a list of countries that wish to present. After list is made, begin by calling on first country and then continue down the list until all willing countries have had a chance to present. It should be noted that this is the only guaranteed time for a country to speak.)
- DELEGATE: The delegate begins presentation by stating name, delegation, and country before proceeding to explain their country's position on the topic.
- PRESIDING OFFICER: "The council will now brainstorm on ways to resolve this issue using an idea sharing forum. We will allow 10 minutes for this process."  
(Write down country ideas on board.)
- PRESIDING OFFICER: "There will now be 22 minutes to allow countries with similar views to collaborate in writing a Resolution for Resolution. The proposed Resolution must have 4 country signatures before being submitted."

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The Presiding Officers will review submitted Resolutions and select top three for debate.

After selection, write and display the Docket, then begin debate.

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## PART B: GENERAL DEBATE PART I

PRESIDING OFFICER: "Will the CLERK please read the Resolution by title only?"  
(The Resolution Sponsors will go to the front of the council.)

CLERK: Reads the Resolution by title only.

PRESIDING OFFICER: "The Sponsor has 3 minutes to present the Resolution followed by 3 minutes to answer technical questions.  
AMENDMENTS ARE NOT IN ORDER."

SPONSOR/CO-SPONSOR: Begins presentation of Resolution by stating name, delegation, and country. The Sponsor may share the floor with the Co-Sponsor, BUT NOT ANYONE ELSE.  
When the opening statement is finished, the Sponsor may say: "I yield the remainder of my time to  
1) closing arguments, 2) technical questions, or 3) the Chair."

PRESIDING OFFICER: "Technical questions are now in order. The Chair recognizes (country)."

DELEGATE: States name, delegation, and country from seat and immediately address technical question to the Sponsor.

After the Sponsor/Co-Sponsor's reply, the Chair continues to recognize delegates until time is called (3 minutes).

PRESIDING OFFICER: "We will now move into 12 minutes of opp/prop debate. Once recognized, speakers will have 2 minutes for their argument. Is there anyone who wishes to speak on this Resolution?"  
(The Presiding Officer recognizes a delegate. The 2-minute rounds will alternate between speakers in opposition and proposition, starting with opposition).

DELEGATE: Move to the front of the Council and state name, delegation, and country. Within the 2-minute time limit, the delegate can:

1. Use all the time for their argument.
2. Use part of the time and yield the remaining time to another delegate by stating "I yield my time to (delegate)."

(Time during each round may be yielded no more than once. If time is yielded to a second speaker, the second speaker must yield to the Chair.)  
(Additionally, opposition speakers must yield to other opposition speakers, and proposition speakers must yield to other propositional speakers. Each 2-minute round should be preserved for one side of debate.)

PLEASE NOTE: The process continues until a total of 12 minutes have elapsed. Debate takes place on an alternating basis (opponent/ proponent/ opponent), with 2 minutes for each round. Debate will always start with an opposition speaker, and end with an opposition speaker, if possible.

After the 1st speaker, the Presiding Officer announces that AMENDMENTS ARE NOW IN ORDER.

After the second to last speaker (about 10 minutes in), the Presiding Officer announces AMENDMENTS ARE NO LONGER IN ORDER.

Upon conclusion of the last speaker's remarks, the Presiding Officer continues...to PART C.

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## **HOW TO SUBMIT A FLOOR AMENDMENT:**

While the debate described in Part B is underway, an Amendment may be submitted by following this procedure:

1. Locate the amendment form in the conference binder.
2. Complete the amendment form.
3. Have the Amendment recognized by the PRESIDING OFFICER.
  - This must be accomplished after the time that the Chair has declared that "Amendments are in order,"(after the first speaker in debate), and before the second to last speaker of debate (around 10 minutes in).

## **HOW AMENDMENTS ARE SELECTED FOR DEBATE:**

1. Presiding Officers determine which Amendment(s) does the most to strengthen the Resolution and contribute to debate.
2. The number of Amendments debated will ultimately be determined by the Presiding Officer based on relevance and time constraints.
3. To recognize an Amendment, a delegate must ask the Resolution Author(s) if the Amendment is hostile or friendly.
  - If friendly, no debate ensues, and the Amendment is immediately added to the Resolution.
  - If hostile, the council must follow Amendment debate procedure:

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Reads the Amendment in its entirety.  
(Amendment Sponsor goes to the front of the Council.)

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** "The Amendment Sponsor has 2 minutes to present the Amendment and 1 minute for technical questions."

**AMENDMENT SPONSOR:** States name, delegation, and country and gives presentation on Amendment.  
When the opening statement is finished, Amendment Sponsor may say: "I yield the remainder of my time to 1) closing arguments, 2) technical questions, or 3) the Chair."

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** "Technical questions are now in order. The Chair recognizes (country)."

**DELEGATE:** States name, delegation, and country from seat and immediately addresses the technical question to the Amendment Sponsor. After the Amendment Sponsor's reply, the Chair continues to recognize other delegates until time is called (1 minute).

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** "We will now move into 4 minutes of opp/prop debate. Once recognized, speakers will have 1 minute for their argument. Is there anyone who wishes to speak in opposition to this Amendment?"  
(Refer to debate in Part A. The same order of events takes place for an Amendment, except the word "Amendment " is substituted for "Resolution" and each speaker only has 1 minute for their argument).

Following the last proponent's remarks, the Presiding Officer continues...

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** "The Resolution Sponsor has 1 minute for their remarks on the Amendment."  
(Sponsor moves to front.)

**RESOLUTION SPONSOR:** States name, delegation, and country and presents position on the Amendment.

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** "The Amendment Sponsor has 1 minute for closing remarks."  
(Sponsor moves to front of chamber.)

**AMENDMENT SPONSOR:** States name, delegation, and country and makes closing remarks.

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** "Will the CLERK please read the Amendment?"

**CLERK:** Reads the Amendment.

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** "We will now move to a voice vote on the Amendment by the Amendment Sponsor. Reminder there is only one vote per country. All countries in favor of this Amendment please

signify by saying "Aye." (Pauses for voice vote.) "All those opposed please signify by saying "Nay". (Pauses for voice vote.)

Raps gavel and announces outcome of Amendment vote.

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## **PART C: GENERAL DEBATE II**

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** "The Sponsor of the Resolution now has 2 minutes for their closing statements."  
(Sponsor moves to front of council.)

**RESOLUTION SPONSOR:** States name, delegation, and country and gives closing statements.  
Time may be yielded only to Co-Sponsor or the Chair; no questions allowed.

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** "The Clerk will now read the Resolution and any added Amendments by title only."

**CLERK:** Reads the Resolution by title, noting any Amendments passed and added to Resolution.

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** "We will now move to a 1 minute country caucus."  
(Following the caucus.)  
"We will now move to a country roll call vote on this Resolution. Each country will select 1 representative to vote for their country. We will vote by country roll call. Please indicate your country's vote as Aye, Nay, Abstain, or Pass as your nation is called out. If you Abstain you will have no vote, and if you Pass we will return to you after all other country votes have been recorded."  
(Calls out each country in council and marks their vote to be tallied for the final outcome.)

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Raps gavel and announces outcome of vote. "By your vote, you have passed/failed Resolution."

Note: Celebration is allowed when a Resolution has passed, but not when it has failed. Division is not recognized since it is a roll call vote.

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DEBATE WORKSHEET**

RESOLUTION # \_\_\_\_\_

TOPIC: \_\_\_\_\_

ACTIVITY	TIME ALLOWED	TIME USED	TIME LEFT & WHERE APPLIED
Read Resolution			
Opening Statement	3 minutes		
Technical Questions	3 minutes		
DEBATE (ALTERNATE OPP/PROP UNTIL TIME ELAPSES)			
AMENDMENTS IN ORDER FROM AFTER FIRST SPEAKER TO BEFORE LAST SPEAKER			
General Debate	12 minutes total		
Opposition	(2 minutes)		
Proposition	(2 minutes)		
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Opposition	(2 minutes)		
Author Closing	2 minutes		
Country Caucus	60 seconds		
Vote	Pass – Fail (circle one)		

<b>Amendment Process</b>	
Amendment Author.....	2 minutes
Questions.....	1 minute
Debate.....	4 minutes
Resolution Author.....	1 minute
Amendment Author.....	1 minute

Amendment (if applicable):                      Pass – Fail                      (circle one)

## NOTES