

CONFERENCE HANDBOOK

THE TWELFTH SESSION



LA MARTINIERE MODEL UNITED NATIONS 2025

7TH - 9TH NOVEMBER, 2025



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SECRETARY-GENERAL'S ADDRESS

Dear Delegates and Respected Faculty Advisors,

It is with profound honor and distinct privilege that I, as the Secretary-General, extend a most sincere welcome to all esteemed delegates and venerable Faculty-Advisors attending the Twelfth Session of the La Martiniere Model United Nations. This distinguished convocation consistently establishes the paradigmatic benchmark for an exemplary conference, thereby effectively demonstrating the organizational prowess and unwavering dedication to holistic student development that are intrinsic to La Martiniere College, Lucknow.

For this iteration of LMUN, our foremost objective remains the provision of a truly momentous and transformative experience for all participants. We are fully committed to upholding our tradition of cultivating an academically rigorous conference, which measurably elevates the quality of scholarly debate and diplomatic discussion with each successive year. My Secretariat stands comprehensively prepared to equip every participant with an experience that will profoundly broaden their intellectual understanding of diplomacy, international relations, global politics, advanced crisis management, and numerous other salient fields of study.

The successful orchestration of this event, which involves the participation of well over one thousand individuals from premier educational institutions across the globe, is a powerful testament to the immense dedication and singular collaborative effort contributed by every member of the Secretariat, the Directorate, and the Organizing Committee. This year's conference shall serve as a true reflection of the collective intellectual journey upon which we have embarked—a journey characterized by sustained growth, innovative methodology, and profound inspiration. It will provide a singularly opportune moment to formally acknowledge past accomplishments, effectively address present geopolitical challenges, and collectively envision a more promising international future.

Guided by the foundational principle that "The youth of today are the future of tomorrow," our organizational vision encompasses the rigorous simulation of thirteen diverse and multifaceted committees. These extend from the conventional and established organs of the United Nations to non-conventional and historically rich bodies such as the People's Court of Athens, and, assuredly, the highly anticipated Ad-Hoc Committee of the Secretary-General, a distinguished hallmark of the La Martiniere Model United Nations.

I most eagerly anticipate the distinct honor of hosting your attendance at the Twelfth Session of the La Martiniere Model United Nations, where you shall have the distinguished opportunity to demonstrate both your passion for and your shared interest in the profound intricacies of international policymaking.

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

6TH NOVEMBER, 2025

16:00 - 17:30	Registrations & Campus Tour
17:30 - 18:30	Refreshments

7TH NOVEMBER, 2025

08:00 - 09:00	Registrations
09:00 - 10:30	Opening Ceremony
10:30 - 11:30	Conference Photograph & High Tea
11:30 - 14:30	Committee Session 1
14:30 - 15:30	Lunch & Committee Photographs
15:30 - 18:00	Committee Session 2
18:00 - 18:45	Head Delegate Meeting and High Tea
19:00 - 20:30	Delegate Evening

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

8TH NOVEMBER, 2025

08:00 - 10:30	Committee Session 3
10:30 - 11:00	High Tea
11:00 - 14:00	Committee Session 4
14:00 - 15:00	Lunch & Committee Photographs
15:00 - 17:30	Committee Session 5
17:30 - 18:00	Head Delegate Meeting & High Tea
18:00 - 20:30	Fellowship
20:30 - 22:00	Principal's Dinner

9TH NOVEMBER, 2025

08:00 - 10:00	Committee Session 6
10:00 - 10:30	High Tea
10:30 - 12:30	Committee Session 7
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch
13:30 - 15:30	Committee Session 8
15:30 - 16:00	High Tea
16:00 - 19:00	Closing Ceremony

THE COMMITTEES



SOCIAL HUMANITARIAN AND CULTURAL COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY (THIRD COMMITTEE)

Agendum: Assessing the human rights implications of the externalization of asylum responsibilities and border securitization, reaffirming and upholding the principle of non-refoulement under the 1951 Refugee Convention and its 1967 Protocol and fostering international collegiality among nations.



UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL

Programme of Work : Addressing political instability and cross-border tension in the South Asian Region, with special emphasis on territorial integrity, sustaining stable and legitimate governance, and concerns of external interference.



ASSEMBLY OF THE AFRICAN UNION

Agendum: Discussing a strategic roadmap to transform the African Economy to achieve Aspiration 7 of Agenda 2063 with special emphasis on African Capital Markets and Public Sector Revenues of Member States.



INTERNATIONAL SEABED AUTHORITY

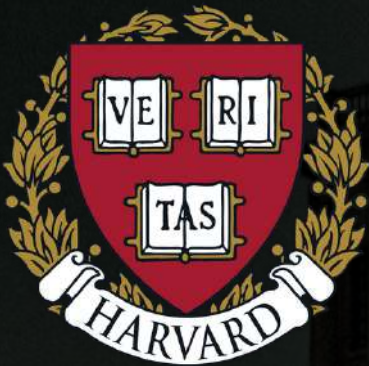
Agendum: Working towards a sustainable and equitable framework for deep-sea mineral exploitation in the Clarion-Clipperton Zone, while ensuring the preservation of its unique biodiversity and ecosystem functions.



UNITED NATIONS HIGH-LEVEL ADVISORY BODY ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S ENVOY ON TECHNOLOGY)

Agendum 1: Addressing the Gravitas of Data Governance for Artificial Intelligence, including international norms for data sharing and legality of collecting data for AI training across Neural Networks while preventing obstruction of privacy.

Agendum 2: Establishing Adequate Guardrails for the Regulation and Implementation of Artificial Intelligence, while putting special emphasis on human oversight, accountability, lack of transparency, diffusion of responsibility, and upholding fundamental freedoms at the global forum



MEETING OF THE HARVARD CORPORATION AND BOARD OF OVERSEERS

Agendum: Deliberation on Federal Restrictions with Emphasis on Safeguarding Academic Autonomy, Civil Liberties and Institutional Jurisdiction.



EXECUTIVE REVIEW MEETING OF THE DIRECTORATE- GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION. (MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA)

Agendum: Re-Assessing Aviation Regulatory Frameworks with Respect to Safety Standards, Airspace Optimization and Re-Evaluating Typerating Protocols in Light of Emerging Operational and recent Technological Challenges.



PEOPLE'S COURT OF ATHENS, 399 BCE

Agendum: The Trial of Socrates: Debating the Charges of Impiety and Corrupting the Youth.



NATIONAL EMERGENCY COORDINATION COUNCIL (GOVERNMENT OF INDIA)

Agendum: Formulating and executing a coordinated response framework for the Bhopal Pesticide Plant gas leak incident, involving legal accountability and indictment of officials within Union Carbide India Limited, while simultaneously devising and implementing comprehensive strategies for economic damage control, restitution, and community rehabilitation.

Freeze Date: 3rd December, 1984.



EXECUTIVE COMMAND OF THE NASRID EMIRATE

Agendum: Addressing the External Threats and Internal Divisions of the Nasrid Emirate.

Freeze Date: 10th August, 1491.



THE SOVEREIGNTY EXPROPRIATION DIRECTORATE

Agendum: Deliberating on mechanisms to realign sovereign debt structures and facilitate controlled asset integration to maximize long-term profits and economic influence.

Freeze Date: 7th November, 2036.



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AD-HOC COMMITTEE OF THE SECRETARY- GENERAL

To be Released 3 days prior to the conference.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

GENERAL RULES AND CODE OF CONDUCT

Language:

English will be the official and working language of the conference.

General Powers of the Committee Staff:

The Presiding Officer will declare the opening and closing of each meeting and may propose the adoption of any procedural motion to which there is no significant objection. Subject to these rules, the executive board will have total control of the proceedings at any meeting. The Presiding Officer will direct discussions, accord the right to speak, put questions, announce decisions, rule on Points of Order, and ensure and enforce the observance of these rules. If necessary and given no objections, the Presiding Officer may choose to suspend the rules to clarify a certain substantive or procedural issue. The Presiding Officer may temporarily transfer his/her duties to another member of the Executive Board Panel or the Secretariat. The Executive Board may also advise delegations on the course of debate. In the exercise of these functions, the Executive Board will, at all times, be answerable to the Secretary-General. In case of a dispute, the decision of the Secretary-General shall be final and binding.

Statements by the Secretariat:

The Secretary-General or any member of the Secretariat, that the Secretary-General may nominate, may make either written or oral statements to the committee at any time. The statements may be of formal nature or rhetoric.

Participation of Non-Members:

A guest speaker, expert witness, or representative of an entity that is neither a member of the committee nor an accredited observer may not address a committee without the prior approval of the Presiding Officer of that committee.

Appeal:

A Delegate may appeal to any decision of the Presiding Officer, except for those matters for which the Committee Rules of Procedure explicitly prohibit. The Presiding Officer may speak briefly in defence of the ruling following which the appeal will be put to vote. The decision of the Presiding Officer will stand unless overruled by a two-thirds majority. The Presiding Officer has ultimate discretion on any ruling, whether it is appealed successfully or not until the Secretary-General intervenes.

Electronic Devices:

The usage of cell phones and internet shall not be permitted while the committee is in session. Saved web pages and laptops, however, shall be allowed for the purpose of smoother committee functioning. The Secretariat as well as the Executive Board Panel holds every right to suspend a delegate on the usage of electronic devices throughout the conference with admissible proofs.

Quorum:

Quorum is set at 1/10th of the committee strength. A roll call may be taken as and when the Executive Board Panel deems necessary. In case quorum fails, the meeting shall be suspended at the discretion of the Presiding Officer.

Dress Code:

All delegates are required to wear Western Business attire throughout the conference. Professionalism is expected, and clothing should be appropriate for a formal setting. The guidelines are as follows:

Formal Business Attire: Delegates are encouraged to wear formal suits, blazers, formal shirts, trousers, skirts, or dresses.

For female delegates: Dresses and skirts should be knee-length or longer.

For male delegates: T-shirts, polos, or short-sleeve shirts are not allowed. Delegates should wear formal, full-sleeve shirts paired with trousers.

Footwear: Given the size of the venue, delegates are encouraged to wear comfortable formal shoes or sneakers to ensure ease of movement throughout the day.

Neutrality in Judging: To maintain fairness and anonymity, delegates should avoid wearing insignia or logos from their educational institutions.

Social Evenings' Attire: Delegates may bring additional, comfortable attire for the delegate evening/socials, where the dress code will be more relaxed.

Failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in delegates being asked to leave the premises. The Secretary-General holds the power to extrude a delegate from the conference on the grounds of inappropriate dress code.

Note:- Delegates are required to have on them the ID card provided at the conference. They may choose not to wear it continuously but are required to have it on themselves and present it to any staff, secretariat and security in charges

Courtesy:

Delegates must treat other delegates, members of the Secretariat, the Executive Board and all conference staff with the highest level of courtesy and respect. The Secretary-General or the concerned Presiding Officer will take a call on any delegate's related matter to order who fails to act accordingly.

General Behaviour:

Delegates must conduct themselves in a dignified manner. In case of any act of misbehaviour, the delegate(s) shall be asked to leave, by the Secretary-General or by any member of the Secretariat whom he nominates or the Principal of the institution. The word of the concerned authorities shall be final and binding.

Attendance:

Delegates are expected to arrive promptly and attend all committee sessions in order to be considered for an award at the end of the conference. Roll call will be taken at the beginning of each session. Delegates who are late to committee should submit a note to the chair instead of announcing their presence to the room.

Food & Beverage Regulations:

Delegates are requested not to order their meals from any food delivery services during the course of three days as meals shall be provided as per the given schedule, subject to alterations by the Executive Board. This is being done to ensure a degree of congenial and uncluttered ambiance. No member of the Logistics on-ground team should be asked to serve beverages to the delegates sitting in the committee.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

RULES GOVERNING THE DEBATE

As Model U.N. Conferences have vast agenda which require an extensive amount of debate and discussion, it is imperative that order is maintained by deciding who speaks, on what, and when. Therefore, adherence to the Rules of Procedure is extremely important for a Conference to function in an appropriate manner.

Opening the Debate

1. Setting the Agenda:

The provisional agenda for the Conference shall be drawn up by the Secretary-General and communicated to all delegations before the start of the Conference.

At each Conference, the provisional agenda shall be submitted to the meeting for approval during the opening session through a vote.

Conduct Of Business

2. Speeches:

No representative may address the meeting without having previously obtained permission of the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer shall call upon speakers in the order in which they signify their desire for them to speak. The Presiding Officer may call out a speaker if his or her remarks are not relevant to the on-going subject.

3. Time Limit on Speeches:

The Presiding Officer(s) may limit the time to be allowed for each speaker to speak and the number of times each representative may speak on any question. When the debate is limited and a representative exceeds his or her allotted time, the Presiding Officer shall call the speaker to order without delay.

4. Points of Order:

During the discussion of any matter, a representative may raise a “Point of Order” if he/she believe that the Presiding Officer is not following the Rules of Procedure or not being sufficiently active in ensuring that other representatives do so. The Point of Order shall be immediately ruled on by the Presiding Officer in accordance with the rules of procedure unless he/she rules otherwise. If a delegate feels that the ruling of the Presiding Officer is incorrect, they may appeal against the ruling. The appeal is put to a vote and the decision of the Presiding Officer could be overruled by a majority of the members present.

5. Closing of List of Speakers, Right to Reply:

During the course of the debate, the Presiding Officer may announce the list of speakers and, with the permission of the representatives present, declare the list closed. The Presiding Officer may, however, accord the Right to Reply to any member if a speech delivered after the closing of the list makes this desirable. The Right to Reply is not used under any other circumstances.

6. Suspension of Meeting:

The meeting may be suspended for a limited amount of time upon request by a representative or the Presiding Officer. Such matters will not be debated but will immediately be put to a vote. A suspended meeting is resumed on the same day. This motion is used to break for informal consultations, and for lunch and tea breaks.

7. Adjournment of Meeting:

During the discussion of any matter, a representative may motion for the adjournment of the meeting. Such motions will not be debated but immediately put to a vote. Any continued consideration of an item on the agenda will take place at another meeting on another day. This motion is to be used at the end of the day.

8. Closure of Debate:

A representative may at any time raise a motion for the closure of debate on the item under discussion, whether or not the representative has signified their wish to speak. A representative can motion for this after they feel that sufficient progress has been made on draft resolutions, and they are ready to be adopted by consensus or to be forced to a vote.

Permission to speak on the closure of the debate shall be accorded only to two speakers opposing the closure, after which the motion shall be immediately put to vote. If the meeting votes in favour of this motion, the Presiding Officer shall declare the closure of the debate.

9. Order of Procedural Motions:

The motions indicated below shall have precedence in the following order over all the other procedures or motions in the meeting:

- To suspend the meeting;
- To adjourn the meeting;
- To adjourn debate on the item under discussion;
- To close the debate on the item under discussion.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

DRAFT RESOLUTION

Draft Resolutions

The Draft Resolution must be formatted in the following manner:

Committee: Name of the Committee in which the resolution is introduced.

Agenda: Agenda of the Committee.

Sponsors: List of countries that have authored the Resolution.

Signatories: List of countries that have signed the draft and wish to see it debated upon. This in no way means that the nations vote for the Draft Resolution.

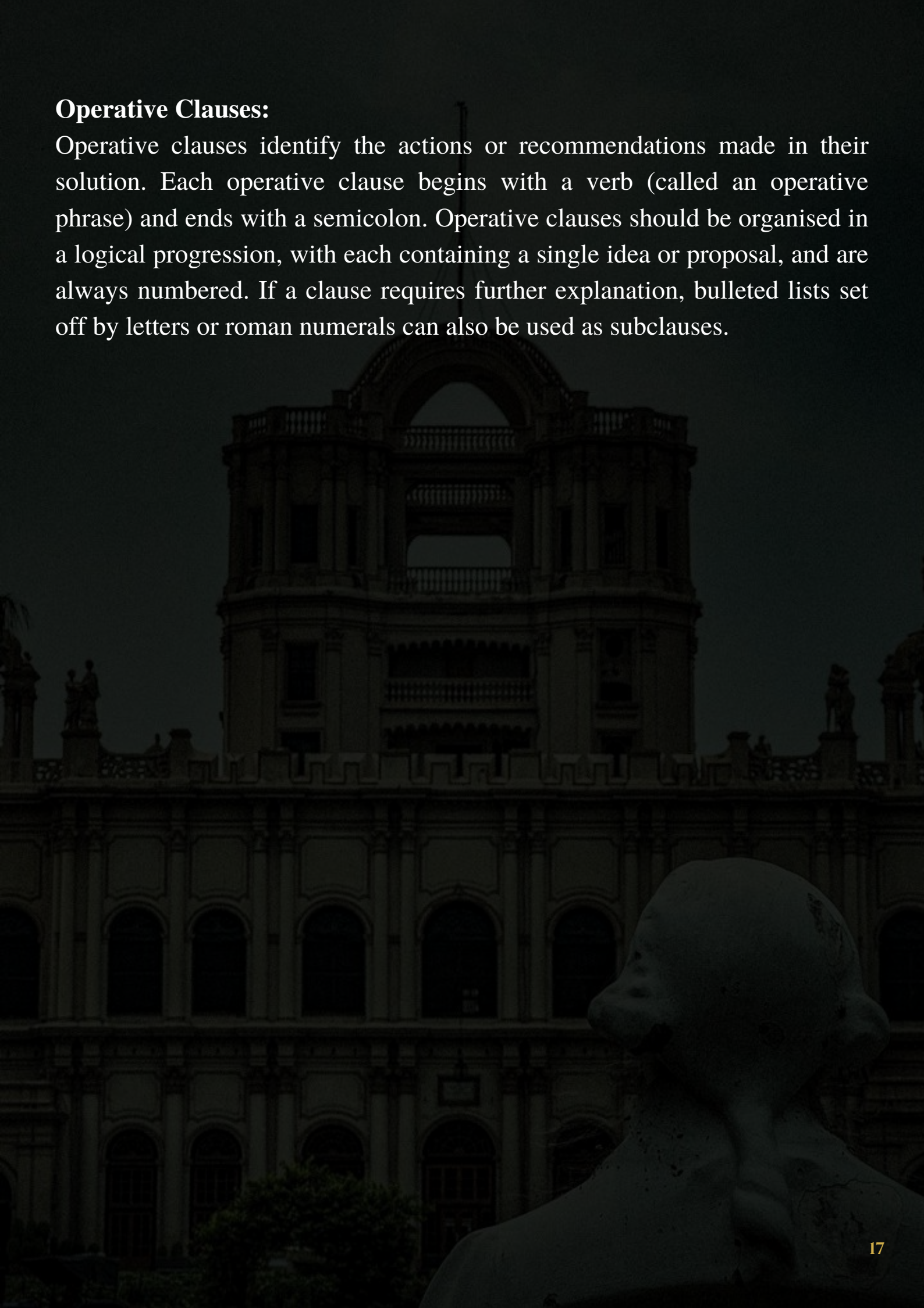
Preambulatory Clauses:

The Preamble of a Draft Resolution states the reasons for which the committee is addressing the topic and generally highlights past international action on the issue. Each clause begins with 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 UNbody or agency;
- Recognition of the efforts of regional or non-governmental organisations dealing with the issue;
- General statements on the topic, its significance and its impact.

Operative Clauses:

Operative clauses identify the actions or recommendations made in their solution. Each operative clause begins with a verb (called an operative phrase) and ends with a semicolon. Operative clauses should be organised 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 or roman numerals can also be used as subclauses.



RULES OF PROCEDURE

SAMPLE PREAMBULATORY CLAUSES

Acknowledging

Acting

Affirming

Alarmed by

Alarmed

Anxious

Appreciating

Approving

Aware of

Bearing in mind

Believing

Cognizant

Concerned

Confident

Conscious

Considering

Contemplating

Convinced

Declaring

Deeply concerned

Deeply conscious

Deeply convinced

Deeply disturbed

Expecting

Expressing appreciation

Noting with approval

Expressing concern also

Expressing concern

Expressing its appreciation

Expressing its satisfaction

Expressing satisfaction

Firmly Convinced

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 reviewed

RULES OF PROCEDURE

SAMPLE OPERATIVE CLAUSES

Accepts

Affirms

Approves

Authorizes

Calls

Calls upon

Condemns

Confirms

Calls for

Calls upon

Congratulates

Considers

Declares accordingly

Deplores

Demands

Designates

Draws the attention

Emphasises

Encourages

Expresses its hope

Further invites

Further proclaims

Further reminds

Further recommends

Further requests

Further resolves

Has resolved

Notes

Proclaims

Reaffirms

Recommends

Regrets

Reminds

Requests

Solemnly affirms

Strongly condemns

Supports

Takes note of

Trusts

Urges

RULES OF PROCEDURE

SAMPLE DRAFT RESOLUTION

The following resolution has been taken from the official website of the United Nations Association of the United States of America.

Resolution GA/3/1.1

General Assembly Third Committee

Sponsors: United States, Austria and Italy

Signatories: Greece, Tajikistan, Japan, Canada, Mali, the Netherlands and Gabon

Agenda: Strengthening UN coordination of humanitarian assistance in complex emergencies

The General Assembly,

Reminding all nations of the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which recognizes the inherent dignity, equality and inalienable rights of all global citizens,

[use commas to separate preambulatory clauses]

Reaffirming its Resolution 33/1996 of 25 July 1996, which encourages Governments to work with UN bodies aimed at improving the coordination and effectiveness of humanitarian assistance,

Noting with satisfaction the past efforts of various relevant UN bodies and nongovernmental organisations, Stressing the fact that the United Nations Faces significant financial obstacles and is in need of reform, particularly in the humanitarian realm,

1. **Encourages** all relevant agencies of the United Nations to collaborate more closely with countries at the grassroots level to enhance the carrying out of relief efforts;

[use semicolons to separate operative clauses]

2. **Urges** member states to comply with the goals of the UN Department of Humanitarian Affairs to streamline efforts of humanitarian aid;

3. **Requests** that all nations develop rapid deployment forces to better enhance the coordination of relief efforts of humanitarian assistance in complex emergencies;

4. **Calls** for the development of a United Nations Trust Fund that encourages voluntary donations from the private transnational sector to aid in funding the implementation of rapid deployment forces, stresses the continuing need for impartial and objective information on the political, economic and social situations and events of all countries;

5. **Calls** upon states to respond quickly and generously to consolidated appeals for humanitarian assistance; and

6. **Requests** the expansion of preventive actions and assurance of post-conflict assistance through reconstruction and development.

[End resolutions with a period]

10. Tabling Draft Resolution:

Any member state may submit a draft resolution to the Presiding Officer for which no minimum percentage of support is required. However since resolutions are aimed to be adopted by consensus, it is advised that representatives build multilateral support before tabling draft resolutions.

11. Proposals and Amendments:

Proposals and amendments on a tabled draft resolution shall be either formally submitted in writing to the Presiding Officer, issued as “L-documents”, or proposed orally from the floor, if no member objects.

When an amendment is moved to a proposal, the amendment shall be voted on first. When two or more amendments are moved to a proposal, the committee shall first vote on the amendment furthest removed in substance from the original proposal, and then on the amendment next furthest removed from it, and so on, until all the amendments have been put to a vote. Where, however, the adoption of one amendment necessarily implies the rejection of another amendment, the latter amendment shall not be put to the vote. If one or more amendments are adopted, the amended proposal shall then be considered or voted upon.

12. Majority Required:

Decisions of the General Assembly meeting shall be made by a simple majority of the members present and voting, except on important questions, including recommendations regarding the maintenance of international peace and security, the suspension of the rights and privileges of membership, the expulsion of Members, and budgetary matters. This applies to both draft resolutions and amendments.

13. Method of voting:

The meeting shall normally vote by a show of hands or but any representative may request a roll-call vote. The roll-call will be taken in alphabetical order, and when called, the representative shall answer “Yes”, “No” or “Abstention”.

14. Conduct during voting:

After the Presiding Officer has announced the beginning of voting, no delegate shall interrupt the voting unless on a point of order in connection with the actual voting procedure. The Presiding Officer may permit members to explain their vote either before or after the voting. The time given for these explanations may be limited by the Presiding Officer.

15. Equally divided votes:

If a vote is equally divided on any matter, the Presiding Officer shall decide if a second vote shall be taken. If the second vote also results in an equally divided situation, the proposal shall be regarded as rejected.

ADDITIONAL NOTE

THE ADHERENCE TO THE CONFERENCE HANDBOOK OF THE TWELFTH SESSION OF LA MARTINIÈRE MODEL UNITED NATIONS IS MANDATORY FOR ALL DELEGATES ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE. THIS HANDBOOK SERVES AS THE FINAL AND BINDING DOCUMENT IN CASES OF DISPUTES, CONCERNS, AND CLARIFICATIONS AT ALL NECESSARY PLACES SHALL BE GIVEN BY REFERRING TO THIS HANDBOOK. THE GENERAL RULES AND CODE OF CONDUCT SHALL BE FOLLOWED BY ALL GUESTS, INVITEES, AS WELL AS REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL ORGANISATIONS RELATED TO LMUN 2025.

