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**Model United Nations**

*Guide to Writing a Resolution, MMXVIII*

# Resolution Paper

Please pay careful attention to the following guidelines when drafting and submitting your position papers. Please follow these guidelines carefully when submitting your work to the Secretariat. Each topic should be addressed briefly in a succinct policy statement representing the relevant views of your assigned country. You should also include recommendations for action to be taken by your committee.

## *Draft Resolutions*

Draft resolutions are all resolutions that have not yet been voted on. Delegates write draft resolutions. There are three main parts to a draft resolution: the heading, the preamble and the operative section. The heading shows the committee and topic. It also lists the draft resolution's signatories (see below). Each draft resolution is one long sentence with sections separated by commas and semicolons. The subject of the sentence is the body making the statement (e.g., Plenary Committee). The preamble and operative sections then describe the current situation and actions that the

## *Tips for Resolution Writing*

- ❖ Preambulatory clauses are historic justifications for action. Use them to cite past resolutions, precedents and statements about the purpose of action.
- ❖ Operative clauses are policies that the resolution is designed to create. Use them to explain what the committee will do to address the issue.
- ❖ Try to cite facts whenever possible.
- ❖ Create a detailed resolution. For example, if your resolution calls for a new program, think about how it will be funded and what body will manage it
- ❖ Be realistic. Do not create objectives for your resolution that realistically cannot be met. (for example, World peace or Syrian refugees to the moon) Make sure your body can take the action suggested.
- ❖ Solicit the views of many states. Your committee will be more likely to approve the resolutions if many delegates contribute ideas.

# Operative Clauses

Operative clauses offer solutions to issues addressed earlier in a resolution through the perambulatory section. These clauses are action oriented and should include both an underlined verb at the beginning of your sentence followed by the proposed solution.

*Each clause should follow the following principals:*

- ❖ Clause should be numbered;
- ❖ Each clause should support one another and continue to build your solution;
- ❖ Add details to your clauses in order to have a complete solution;
- ❖ Operative clauses are punctuated by a semicolon, with the exception of your last operative clause which should end with a period.

## *Sample Operative Clauses*

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|------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| ❖ Accepts              | ❖ Encourages                 | ❖ Further recommends |
| ❖ Affirms              | ❖ Endorses                   | ❖ Further requests   |
| ❖ Approves             | ❖ Expresses its appreciation | ❖ Further resolves   |
| ❖ Authorises           | ❖ Expresses its hope         | ❖ Has resolved       |
| ❖ Calls                | ❖ Further invites            | ❖ Notes              |
| ❖ Calls upon           | ❖ Deplores                   | ❖ Proclaims          |
| ❖ Condemns             | ❖ Designates                 | ❖ Hopes              |
| ❖ Confirms             | ❖ Draws the attention        | ❖ Calls Upon         |
| ❖ Congratulates        | ❖ Expresses its appreciation | ❖ Transmits          |
| ❖ Considers            | ❖ Expresses its hope         | ❖ Reaffirms          |
| ❖ Declares accordingly | ❖ Further invites            | ❖ Recommends         |
| ❖ Deplores             | ❖ Further proclaims          | ❖ Regrets            |
| ❖ Designates           | ❖ Further reminds            | ❖ Reminds            |
| ❖ Draws the attention  |                              | ❖ Requests           |
| ❖ Emphasises           |                              | ❖ Supports           |

# Perambulatory Clauses

The pre-ambulatory clauses states all the issues that the committee wants to resolve on this issue. It may state reasons why the committee is working on this issue and highlight previous international actions on the issue

## *Perambulatory 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 nongovernmental organisations in dealing with the issue; and General statements on the topic, its significance and its impact.

## *Sample Pre-ambulatory Clauses*

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|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| ❖ Affirming         | ❖ Expecting         | ❖ Having examined           |
| ❖ Alarmed by        | ❖ Emphasising       | ❖ Having received           |
| ❖ Approving         | ❖ Expecting         | ❖ Keeping in mind           |
| ❖ Bearing in mind   | ❖ Fulfilling        | ❖ Noting with deep concern  |
| ❖ Believing         | ❖ Fully aware       | ❖ Nothing with satisfaction |
| ❖ Confident         | ❖ Further deploring | ❖ Observing                 |
| ❖ Contemplating     | ❖ Further recalling | ❖ Reaffirming               |
| ❖ Convinced         | ❖ Guided by         | ❖ Realising                 |
| ❖ Declaring         | ❖ Having adopted    | ❖ Recalling                 |
| ❖ Deeply concerned  | ❖ Having considered | ❖ Recognising               |
| ❖ Deeply conscious  | ❖ In Seek           | ❖ Referring                 |
| ❖ Deeply convinced  | ❖ In a effort to    | ❖ Seeking                   |
| ❖ Deeply Disturbed  | ❖ Taking in account | ❖ Taking into consideration |
| ❖ Deeply Regretting | ❖ Remembering       | ❖ Taking note               |

# Sample Resolution

Forum: Security Council  
Question of: " Israel Palestinian Conflict"  
: Russian Federation  
Signatories: China, Isreal

*Recalling* previous relevant United Nations resolution 242 (1967), and resolution 338 (1973) which illustrate previous attempts to address the situation between Israel and Palestine,

*Emphasizing* the growing urgency of the issue with the growth of the Arab population in Israel, the West Bank and Gaza which is predicted to encompass the majority in 2014,

*Noting* the attempt by Palestine to become a state within the United Nations,

*Aware of* the need to address the capital Jerusalem, the growing amount of refugees, the increase of Israeli settlements, the borders which will be established between both nations, and of UN support to allow for an effective transition into diplomacy.,

*Recognizes* the decision made by the Quartet on the Middle East, on September 23, 2011 to issue a new schedule to resume negotiations between the Israeli government and the Palestinian Authority and a completion of negotiations by the end of 2012,

*Condemns* the Israeli settlement expansion in Ariel and East Jerusalem.

- 1) *Urges* the entry of Palestine as a state within the United Nations to improve discussions between both nations and international cooperation;
- 2) *Asks* that the UN to create a sub-entity, International Committee of Cooperation and Diplomacy (ICCD), to improve discussions between both nations; this entity would be in charge of maintaining dialogue between both states and ensuring the regulation of previous resolutions;
- 3) *Demands* that Palestine, as a state, return to its borders established in 1967, allowing the UN troops to regulate the transition by:
  - a. Monitoring the check points established between Israel and Palestine,
  - b. Ensuring the reintegration of refugees into the new state of Palestine;

[Note: Once you write the resolution, place it on the google drive document that your MUN Director/Advisor has shared with you.](#)



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