

The Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School Model United Nations Conference



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Rules for Resolutions and Lobbying

- 1. It is strongly recommended that resolutions are pre-uploaded to the online Approvals Panel in advance of the conference. There are three key benefits of uploading resolutions before the conference:
 - a. You will not have to deal with any unnecessary waiting times during the conference.
 - b. As resolutions are approved before the conference, you will have the opportunity to correct your resolution if it is rejected.
 - c. Your resolution will have a significantly higher chance of being selected for committee.
- 2. The top of each resolution must detail the resolution's committee, question and main submitter(s).
- 3. Resolutions must be addressed to the General Assembly (except resolutions in the Security Council which must be addressed to the Security Council).
- 4. All operative clauses must be numbered, all sub-clauses must begin with a), b), c), etc, and all sub-sub clauses must begin with i), ii), iii) etc.
- 5. Each preambulatory clause must be followed by a comma, and each operative clause must be followed by a semicolon (except the last operative clause which must be followed by a full stop no full stop should appear elsewhere in the resolution).
- 6. There is a clause limit of 15 operative clauses per resolution (20 for the Security Council), including sub-clauses. Please note that, when counting sub-clauses, the clause which they are subsidiary to should not be counted. For example, the following operative clause contains three (not four) clauses for counting purposes:
 - 2. <u>Proposes</u> that a UNBWS (United Nations Body for Water Sanitation), a subbody of the UNDP (United Nations Development Programme) with additional funding from the UN, be created in order to:
 - a. Determine the most efficient method of medical prevention of waterborne diseases, whether by water-treatment or the provision of new water sources,
 - b. Research into cheaper technology for desalination, sand filtration, well recharging, and other water purification strategies as a short term goal,

c. Establish and assist educational programmes on the recognition of and the dangers of consuming unclean water;

- 7. When lobbying resolutions, the number of delegate signatures required for the debate of the resolution will be set by the committee chair, with a maximum of two from any school (maximum of one from the delegate's own school) in order for the resolution to be considered for approval and debate.
- 8. No resolutions may be signed at any time other than during designated lobbying sessions.
- 9. If delegates sign a resolution, they must be willing to make a speech in time for the resolution.
- 10. Decisions regarding the approval status of a resolution lie ultimately with the Approvals Panel.