MUN Οδηγίες

Here are some common internet resources to help delegates get started:

1. [Permanent Missions to the United Nations](https://www.un.org/en/about-us/member-states) Many Missions to the UN post statements and other information about their positions on issues of importance.
2. [Ministries of Foreign Affairs](http://www.usip.org/publications/foreign-affairs-ministries-web) The foreign affairs websites often contain information about governmental policies on different issues.
3. [UNBISNET](http://unbisnet.un.org/) This UN library reference also provides voting records for all General Assembly resolutions adopted since 1946 as well as an index to speeches. This database allows users to search all speeches given by a country on a specific topic.
4. [UN Member States on the Record](https://www.un.org/en/library/unms) This official UN website provides information about the membership of each Member State, an index to their speeches in the General Assembly, Security Council and ECOSOC, draft resolutions they have sponsored, and periodic reports on human rights conventions they are parties to.
5. [UN Global Issues](https://www.un.org/en/global-issues/) This official UN resources gives an overview of each issues on the UN agenda as well as useful links to other UN related bodies and Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), past summits and conferences and important documents on each issue. NGOs are a good source of information that should not be overlooked. In addition to performing a variety of services and humanitarian functions, bringing citizens' concerns to Governments, monitoring policies and encouraging political participation at the community level, they also provide analysis of issues, serve as early warning mechanisms and help monitor and implement international agreements. Some are organized around specific issues, such as human rights, the environment or health. The UN works with thousands of NGOs all over the world: around 4,000 have a formal association with the UN, through the Department of Public Information and the ECOSOC. The main UN website contains an extensive list of NGOs organized alphabetically as well as by region and topic.
6. Finally, delegates should **read UN resolutions on their assigned topic to find out what issues tend to be discussed when their topic is debated. Resolutions passed by the General Assembly, Security Council, and ECOSOC can be found at the**[UN Documentation Centre.](https://www.un.org/en/our-work/documents)

**Position Paper Guidelines**

*Introduction*

The position paper is a brief and concise description of a State’s, international organisation’s or NGO’s position and priorities for a given Committee.

*Content*

The position paper on an assigned topic should contain the following elements:

• A general sentence in the beginning clearly stating the country's position

• A succinct policy statement for each topic representing the relevant views of the country that has been assigned

• An elaboration of the position that includes one or more of the following: quotes from the UN Charter; agreements/resolutions your Member State has ratified; quotes from statements made by your Head of State, Head of Government, ministers, delegates to the UN, and any other relevant international documents including but not limited to

* Reports from the UN Secretary-General on the topic
* Recommendations for actions to be taken by the committee
* A conclusion restating assigned country’s position on the topic.

Relevant statistics, quotes, and other information from different sources should be cited in an accepted scholarly citation format.

Do NOT use the first person in a position paper. Instead, simply use the delegation's name or alternatively expressions such as "our government", "our country", "our nation". Long essay-type position papers presenting a nation's history or background information on the topic are not useful. A simple and concise overview is best.