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CRISIS Committee

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Welcome letter

Dear delegates,

As Presidents of the Crisis committee, we extend you all a rather warm greeting and a welcome to the forty-second edition of the Colegio Nueva Granada's model United Nations. In advance, we express to you that it is not only an honor for us to chair this committee, but also to know that we are participating and consequently supporting an initiative that seeks to encourage leadership, learning, and student development at an international level. It is of great importance for us as presidents, to ensure the main objective of our committee is to encourage each one of you to grow your perspectives within a socio-political context and increase your knowledge on the complexity of the international frameworks through diplomacy. It is of great importance that as members of this CRISIS committee you engage with adequate research and preparation to foster enriching debate. At the core of our moderation lies the core value of respect, which will prevail throughout the model as each one of you questions perspectives and acknowledges the nuances of conflict to further grow your knowledge.

We wish you all the best of luck in the model, and we remind you that regardless of the academic achievements within MUN, the greatest award will forever be knowledge. As presidents, we are always at your disposition to answer any of your concerns. Please don't hesitate to contact us. All the best wishes in the process of preparation and days of debate. that can be awarded this model and the committee, is knowledge. As presidents, we are open to help you with any questions or concerns you may have, so do not hesitate to contact us if you have any of these.

Yours Sincerely,

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Introduction to the Committee

CRISIS committee functionality

Often modeled after rather small corporations or boards, CRISIS committees are known to be fast-paced, specialized, and challenging committees formed in response to urgent situations and events in the context of diplomacy and international frameworks. The committee requires a large level of critical thinking, strategic planning, and decision-making in order to manage immediate, pressing global issues.

The committee is not only characterized by the immediate response, but delegates are also situated in a real-time decision-making process where their role is relevant in managing the crisis. As a result, a dynamic environment is fostered in which the situation might evolve

rapidly forcing delegates to adapt quickly and respond to new information. Fundamentally, the CRISIS committee presents delegates with multi-dimensional challenges and encourages effective communication and collaboration among participants to negotiate, forge alliances, and work collaboratively to address the crisis.

Furthermore, two terms are used to describe the engagement in the committee:

- “In-room forums”: This term refers to the performance of a delegate during the committee, which includes speeches, collaboration with other delegates, and directive drafting. Delegates rotate through mediated and unmoderated caucuses to examine potential solutions to the committee's themes after a chair asks for motions.
- “Out-room”: Delegates can obtain more authority by creating crisis notes or “directives” and delivering them to crisis personnel and/or the honorable chair. This allows them to develop their own storylines as they make relationships with personalities in their committee's domain and exploit weaknesses in other delegates' in-room orders.

In addition, this year's CRISIS dynamic will moderate that of a Security Council committee in which delegates deliberate on global security issues with the goal of “maintaining international peace and security.” The committee provides a unique learning experience, fostering skills in diplomacy, negotiation, policy-making, conflict resolution, and understanding global affairs by immersing participants in the complex world of international relations and security.

About CRISIS Security Council

The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) is one of the six principal organs of the United Nations. This committee is responsible for maintaining international peace and security. Taking into account that it will be run under the CRISIS functionality, it will be a fast paced committee, in which you must be ready for constant change and fast decision making. Security council has the primary responsibility for addressing threats to peace and acts of aggression. The committee itself consists of 15 members, including 5 of them which are known as the Veto powers. These are China, France, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Any substantive resolution requires their affirmative votes. The other ten members are elected by the General Assembly for two-year terms. They do not possess veto power. Decisions on substantive matters require the affirmative votes of at least nine members, including the concurring votes of all five permanent members if a resolution is to be adopted. The UNSC has the authority to refer cases to the International Criminal Court (ICC) for investigation and prosecution. Take advantage of this wonderful committee, a dynamic and fast-paced structure that deviates from the traditional MUN structure. With continuous updates on the evolving situation you will be required to use your creative thinking skills to confront challenges, twists, and turns that you will have to navigate. Throughout Crisis directives you will be able to respond to these updates. These directives can include policy changes, military movements, diplomatic initiatives, or other strategic movements. Be ready for exactly what this committee is known for, excitement, unpredictability, and the need for strategic planning.

Topic

Disclosed on February 8th, first day of the model.

Guide for CRISIS Committee Preparation:

Preparing for this committee will not be about researching a specific topic, because as we all know, you are informed about the topic the day of the debate! To prepare for the model make sure to accomplish the following steps which will help you feel as prepared as you can for our Crisis committee.

1. Research your role
 - Investigate the role you are assigned to represent. Understand the position, goals, and historical actions of the country you'll be portraying. Investigate your relation with other countries, the resources you have available, and any other information that you might find pertinent.
2. Stay informed about current events
 - Relate the crisis scenario to current global events. Consider how real-world developments might influence the dynamics of the crisis.
3. Understand and familiarize yourself with the Crisis tools
 - Understand the crisis tools that will be used in the simulation, such as crisis notes, directives, or emergency sessions. Know how to use these tools effectively, these will be the ones that will help you thrive in the committee.

Guiding Questions During Committee:

- What is the background and context of the crisis scenario?
- Who are the key stakeholders involved, both at the national and international levels?
- What is the role of the delegation being represented?
- What diplomatic approaches can be taken to build alliances or mitigate conflicts?
- How can the delegation effectively utilize its resources, whether economic, military, or diplomatic?
- What are the potential long-term consequences of proposed actions?