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POSITION PAPER

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INTRODUCTION

What is a position paper?

Prior to the beginning of a MUN, each Delegation prepares its Position Paper in each of the topics that will be discussed in the different committees in which the country will participate.

The writing of this document is an important part in the preparation of each person that will be part of the Delegation, and its creation is extremely useful. These documents not only help Delegates organize their ideas, but also encourage the entire Delegation in the establishment and representation of foreign policy.

Importance

In the Model United Nations Conferences (MUN); writing is considered to be not only an important communication tool, but also a highly-desired skill, this ever since for the competition, two types of documents are written: Position Papers and Draft Resolutions.

The Position Paper should be the most care-fore element in the MUN. It exposes and supports the opinion of a nation and is the starting point for international negotiations. The Position Papers must not only define the topic in the Agenda, but they must also present the relationship that the topic has with the interests of the represented country.

The Position Paper allows Delegates define their strategies and possible actions in advance of the working meetings scheduled by the Organizing Committee. For this reason, they must consider the position of the rest of the Member States present regarding the topics that will be discussed.

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COUNTRY: Republic of Turkey (Turkey).

COMMITTEE: FAO (The food and agriculture organization).

TOPIC: Global effects of meat over – consumption.

SCHOOL: Universidad de Celaya.



1 Header

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- P.1 The consumption of meat for humans has become a normal activity since ancient times, today this irregular consumption has brought consequently huge affectation to the planet and society such as massive production, carbon emissions, reduction of the biodiversity, and others. This problem continues to grow, so much so that the world estimates a consumption of 340 million tons of red meat in just 1 year. The delegation of Turkey is concerned about this situation, and in line with the objective of reducing consumption to avoid affecting the environment and derivatives, has taken action to reduce its consumption.
- P.2 The delegation of Turkey has been working on this issue and, due to complications of the last years, has had to increase meat production, since there is an economic crisis in the country, as consequence of the pandemic, and livestock production cannot be reduced. Being aware of the actions on this issue, it is worth mentioning that the Turkish population is not a big consumer of beef, as it is bad seen to eat porcine meat, only in special occasions. But despite its beliefs, Turkey has more than 80 million of habitants with an annual consumption of 1.5 million tons and produces 1.4 million making it one of the best buyers in the world. This means that part of Turkey's economy depends on the consumption of Turkish meat by and from other countries. And taking this into account Turkey has risked having to stop some exports to help reduce consumption and price increases in other countries and in the same so as not to affect the environment, mainly in the last 3 years has made this action but has been seen to affect the country on a large scale, as society is revealed to such action and causes the decision making based on a search for more opportunities in another country, putting even more at risk the economy of Turkey. Within this loss of economy there is a waste of meat, that meat a non – governmental organization has looked for a useful operation, the organization take the quantities of surplus meat and put them in tin containers for their conservation and each one of these generated cans they distribute them among the marginalized communities. The delegation of Turkey invites it citizens to start reducing meat consumption, either by returning to previous traditions or by stop consume it for one or two days to maintain a balance and rise awareness.

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In conclusion, Turkey's proposal is based on continuing to become aware of consumption, reducing it one or two days a week. Likewise, the possible accession to the European Union for have more exports and imports of other products to improve Turkey economy, according to the product market study in Turkey. And then eliminate the quantity of meat consume and start implement other products.

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Position Papers are usually divided into 2 main parts and the references:

1 Header

The heading of the document should include the name of the delegate, the committee, the topic, the represented country and the name of the school. In the header, there should also be a flag of the represented country.

2 Development

The development should be written in 3 paragraphs:

- **First paragraph - Background**

It will consist on a hook which is a statement designed to attract the attention of people, a general explanation of the issue to be discussed, an explanation on the importance of solving the issue, and a position statement which is a brief sentence in which the country expresses the position that it has on the issue.

- **Second paragraph - Position**

A specific explanation of the way that the issue takes place in the represented country, the affectations the issue has had in the country, the actions that the country has taken to fight against the issue, the accomplishments and failures the country has had towards the solution of the country, and the interest that the country has on finding solutions that can solve the issue in its nation and the entire world.

- **Third paragraph - Solutions**

Emphasis on the interest that the country has on solving the issue in the world, well described proposals to solve the issue (idea, participants, resources and time) and a closing strong statement to invite other delegations to take action and solve the issue.

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3 References

All websites and resources used to consult information to write the position paper, must be in the references list. The references must be cited in APA format, specifically the Sixth Edition.

SUGGESTIONS

Remember that the Position Paper is written from the perspective of a **whole nation**, **not particular interests**.

Please avoid using personal pronouns. Remember that the most important thing about the essay is the ideas and proposals that YOU give to the subject. **Copying and pasting information found online, is not allowed.**

- The better conducted the research the better the final product will be.
- While writing the position paper, there are words that should be avoided, in the following chart, they are shown and also some words with which they can be replaced

Instead of this	Use this
War	Armed conflict
Kill	Commit murder/Casualties
Rich countries	Developed countries
Poor countries	Undeveloped countries
Poor people	Lack of resources
Black	African American
White	Caucasian
Army	Armed forces
Money	Economic resources

DELIVERY FORMAT

- **Font:** Times New Roman
- **Font Size:** 12 pt
- **Paragraphs:** Please make sure to add indentations at the beginning of each paragraph
- **Line spacing:** 1 (single without spaces before or after)
- **Margins of the document:** 2.54 cm or 1 inch on each side
- **Appointment Style:** It will be based on the APA Sixth Edition citation system
- **Length:** Minimum 600 words, 800 maximum
- **Format:** PDF

