**VISIT THE OPPORTUNITY FAIR**
Saturday, October 31 – During Session Break (5:00 - 6:30pm)
Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel: Mezzanine Level, outside the Thurgood Marshall Ballroom

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It is a pleasure to greet all the participants in this timely Model United Nations exercise. You gather at a moment of great challenge and consequence for the human family as we cope with dangerous threats while endeavouring to lay plans for long-term peace and sustainable prosperity.

The global landscape today is scarred by conflict, exploitation and despair. Nearly 60 million people have been forced to flee their homes – more than at any time since the end of the Second World War. In every society, women are victims of violence. The consequences of climate change are ever more apparent. Huge sums of money continue to be squandered on destabilizing military arsenals. And although the world said “never again” after the Holocaust, and again after genocides in Rwanda and Srebrenica, we continue to witness atrocious crimes by violent extremists and others.

As the United Nations this year marks its 70th anniversary, we know there is still a great distance to go in realizing the vision set out in our founding Charter. At the same time, we can look back on a proven record of fostering peace, alleviating hunger and poverty, safeguarding human rights and providing relief in the aftermath of disasters.

I have seen in my own life the difference the United Nations can make. When I was six years old, the Korean War forced my family to run for the mountains. We survived thanks to United Nations operations providing food, medicine and security, and we took heart from knowing that the world cared.

Today, the United Nations is mobilizing countries to address conflicts, disasters and other immediate crises while striving to secure our long-term future by forging a new vision for sustainable development as well as a universal climate agreement.

Through your participation in this Model United Nations, you demonstrate your concern for peace, justice, human rights and human dignity. I hope this Conference will inspire you to be a lifelong global citizen who advances these common goals.

Ban Ki-moon
General Assembly First Committee (GA1)
1. Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction
2. United Action Towards the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons
3. Ensuring the Safety of Civilians in Conflict Zones

General Assembly Second Committee (GA2)
1. Strengthening International Strategies for Disaster Reduction
2. Addressing External Debt Sustainability
3. International Trade and Development

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
1. Paris 2015: Towards a Universal Climate Agreement
2. Organized Crime in Wildlife, Gold, and Timber
3. Marine Plastic Debris and Microplastics

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
1. World Heritage Sites: Balancing Tourism and Preservation
2. Preserving Linguistic Diversity
3. Education and Science for Agriculture in Africa

United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)
1. Engaging Youth in Sustainable Urbanization Initiatives
2. Addressing Long- and Short-Term Shelter Needs through Reconstruction Efforts
3. Mitigating Climate Change by Utilizing Alternative Energy Sources

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
1. Implementing Emergency Responses for Seafaring Refugees
2. Ensuring Equal Rights for Refugees from Complex Crises

Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)
1. Eliminating Preventable Maternal Mortality
2. Increasing Women's Role in Conflict Resolution and Peacebuilding
3. Growing Women's Economic Empowerment

Security Council (SC)
1. Preventing Terrorist Acquisition of Weapons of Mass Destruction
2. Children and Armed Conflict
Dear Honorable Delegates, Faculty Advisors, Staff, and Friends,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2015 NMUN•DC Conference. On behalf of the entire volunteer staff and our conference partners, the National Collegiate Conference Association (NCCA) and the Osgood Center for International Studies, I thank you for joining us for an exciting weekend and challenge each of you to immerse yourself in all that this experience has to offer.

The world continually finds itself at new crossroads, and in each of those defining moments the international community can either remain mired in political self-interest or choose to take bold, visionary action. The current intersection of the Millennium Development Goals and the post-2015 development agenda’s Sustainable Development Goals stands as one of those key moments in time. Acknowledging the successes and failures of the Millennium Development Goals, we can either redouble our efforts and take concrete action to improve the health, education, environment, and living conditions of all 7.3 billion inhabitants of the world, or we can instead use the Sustainable Development Goals merely as an aspirational hope of what the world could hypothetically be.

Amidst the intersection of those development frameworks, the international community must also address emerging crises of civil and political unrest, religious extremism, migration, and terrorism. In his opening statement to the International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg, Robert H. Jackson implored the court that “The wrongs which we seek to condemn and punish have been so calculated, so malignant, and so devastating, that civilization cannot tolerate their being ignored, because it cannot survive their being repeated.” Today, a myriad of crises – both newly emerging and chronically persistent – threaten the survival of civilization. Unless we seek to merely echo the unfortunate refrain of “never again,” these crises demand bold action to uphold human dignity and the protection of life.

In an often-misquoted sentence, Henry David Thoreau states, “The mass of men lead lives of quiet desperation.” If our quiet desperation results from a sense of hopelessness in influencing global decisions, let NMUN•DC give a voice to that desperation. Your preparation has given you a detailed understanding of global issues, and your participation in committee will soon demonstrate why the solutions are not easily defined approaches upon which all states agree. Through negotiation and diplomacy, articulate your states’ policies and rise to the test of crafting courageous solutions to the world’s challenges.

In meeting those demands, you will realize that NMUN•DC is far more than a mere simulation. Do not stop at finding your own voice in committee; become involved in civil society and political processes to challenge leaders to take their own bold steps on the global stage.

Sincerely,

Patrick Parsons
Secretary-General, NMUN•DC 2015

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Committee Locations

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United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) ......................................................... Madison A & B
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Head Delegates Meeting Room ........................................................................................................ Hoover
FRIDAY, 30 OCTOBER 2015 – Marriott Hotel, Rooms are on the Mezzanine Level

9:00am - 3:00pm  Embassy Briefings (if pre-arranged by your school)  Registration A
3:00pm - 5:00pm  Early Conference Registration  Thurgood Marshall Ballroom
5:00pm - 5:45pm  Expert Briefing Panel  Thurgood Marshall Ballroom
5:45pm - 6:30pm  Opening Ceremony  Thurgood Marshall Ballroom
6:30pm - 7:15pm  Rules Training (optional)  Registration A
6:30pm - 8:00pm  Conference Registration  See Committee Locations, p. 6
8:00pm - 11:00pm  Committee Session I  Hoover
11:15pm  Head Delegates Meeting

SATURDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2015 – Marriott Hotel, Rooms are on the Mezzanine Level

9:00am - 12:00pm  Committee Session II  See Committee Locations, p. 6
12:00pm - 2:00pm  Lunch Break (on your own)  See Committee Locations, p. 6
2:00pm - 5:00pm  Committee Session III  Stone's Throw Restaurant, Lobby Level
3:00pm - 4:00pm  Faculty Reception (faculty badge required)  Outside Thurgood Marshall Ballroom
5:00pm - 6:30pm  Opportunity Fair  See Committee Locations, p. 6
5:00pm - 7:00pm  Dinner Break (on your own)  Hoover
7:00pm - 10:00pm  Committee Session IV  See Committee Locations, p. 6
10:15pm  Head Delegates Meeting

Remember to set your clocks back 1 hour tonight, as US Daylight Savings Time ends at 2am on Sunday.

SUNDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2015 – Marriott Hotel, Rooms are on the Mezzanine Level

9:00am - 12:00pm  Committee Session V  See Committee Locations, p. 6
12:00pm - 1:30pm  Lunch Break (on your own)  See Committee Locations, p. 6
1:30pm - 3:00pm  Conclusion and Voting  Thurgood Marshall Ballroom
3:30pm - 5:00pm  Closing Ceremony

Consider joining our volunteer staff. We offer training, provide DC hotel accommodations, and help pay for travel expenses.
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DELEGATES

While participating in the National Model UN conference, delegates have a responsibility to always maintain the highest level of professionalism and diplomacy. Conference staff, faculty advisors, fellow delegates, speakers, as well as non-NMUN hotel guests should be treated with the highest level of courtesy and respect, including on social media and in electronic communications. Professionalism in speech, actions, and appearance by delegates is a requirement of this conference, and necessary to its educational mission. It is assumed that all delegates will respect the property of our host hotel and any other facilities utilized.

NMUN reserves the right to restrict future registration for any participant or school, whose delegates or faculty advisors are not able to uphold their responsibility to the conference’s code of conduct.

Delegates are expected to:
• Remain “in character” by consistently advocating the interests and representing the policies of the country assigned. To act “in character” also entails displaying respect for the opinions and ideas of fellow delegates, even if these opinions and ideas conflict with a given delegate’s own country’s priorities.
• Collaborate with fellow delegates when possible.
• Be courteous and professional at all times, including on social media and in electronic communications.
• Attend all committee sessions.
• Avoid the consumption of alcohol and other drugs in committee sessions. Any issues related to illicit drugs will be immediately directed to the attention of local authorities.

Delegates who disrupt committee sessions or create problems in the hotel may be barred from further participation in the conference.

Delegates are encouraged to enjoy the variety of activities available at our conference venues. Please bear in mind, however, the purpose of being here is participation in NMUN and failure to attend committee sessions may result in your withdrawal from the conference.

If you are going to drink, please drink responsibly. Excessive alcohol consumption should be avoided. The US legal drinking age is 21.

FACULTY ADVISORS

The role of faculty advisors, while at the conference, is to make all efforts to see that their students maintain a positive and professional approach to the conference. The educational quality of the conference is primarily dependent on the active and professional participation of all delegates. Faculty advisors can ensure this by monitoring the attendance of their students at committee meetings and helping them understand the skills of diplomacy as practiced at National Model United Nations. Faculty advisors must maintain the highest level of professionalism toward all conference participants and staff.

During the conference, faculty advisors are encouraged to advise students on specific questions such as a Member State’s policy or issues of international law, but must not participate in the actual writing of resolutions or caucusing activities. NMUN allows students an opportunity to demonstrate their preparation and research skills. While faculty advisors are encouraged to observe their students from the back of committee rooms, participation in the committee process must be left to the student delegates and the conference staff.

Faculty Advisors are expected to:
• Provide leadership to their delegates and to other delegations by serving as information resources when appropriate.
• Respond to questions and concerns without interfering with the work of the committees or the deliberations of delegates, whether in formal session or in caucus.
• Refrain from using academic credit and grading policies that force participation beyond that country’s normal position in the UN.
• Remind their delegates of the educational purpose of the simulation. Awards should not be a delegation’s main emphasis.
• Offer suggestions and assistance to new faculty advisors.

HEAD DELEGATES

Head delegates provide leadership to their delegates and to other delegations by serving as information resources. They should attend and participate in head delegates meetings. Head delegates may be assigned to a committee or may serve solely in an advisory role. Head delegates assigned to a committee should observe the delegate code of conduct. Those not assigned to a particular committee should interact with delegates as would a faculty advisor.
DRESS CODE

All clothing must adhere to guidelines that portray professionalism and modesty. If a delegate’s attire is deemed inappropriate by NMUN staff, the delegate will be asked to leave the session and return with appropriate attire.

- Standard delegate attire for the conference is business jacket, slacks/skirt, dress shirt (with tie for men) and dress shoes.
- Dress sweaters, shorts, ball caps, jeans, sneakers and sunglasses are considered too casual. Clothes that expose excessive bare skin or are otherwise revealing are inappropriate.
- It is not appropriate for delegates to display any national symbols such as flags, pins, crests, etc. on their person during sessions. UN symbols are acceptable.
- Western business dress is preferred. Traditional dress is only permitted for international delegates in whose native countries “professional business dress” includes traditional cultural dress. NMUN will not tolerate any delegate’s attempt to portray a “character” using traditional cultural attire as costume.

Faculty advisors/team leaders, guests, and volunteer staff serve as role models for delegates. Thus they are required to dress in western business attire while participating in scheduled conference sessions.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND DISCRIMINATION POLICY

It is the intention of the NCCA that the environment of National Model United Nations supports our educational goal. The organizers will not tolerate any instances of discrimination based on race, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, age or disability.

If any delegate, staff or faculty advisor believes they have encountered discrimination, which results in a hostile working environment or disparate treatment, they must bring it to the attention of the Secretary-General of the conference. In the event that this is not possible, they must bring it to the attention of the organizers. The NCCA will investigate the merits of the allegations, interviewing all parties involved.

Based on the findings, organizers may:
- take no action
- issue a verbal reprimand
- separate the individual from the conference
- implement any other action deemed appropriate

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<td><strong>Point of Order</strong></td>
<td>Correct an error in procedure</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Refers to a specific rule</td>
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<td><strong>Appeal of the Chair</strong></td>
<td>Challenge a decision of the Chair</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Majority</td>
<td>Question the Chair's ruling</td>
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<td>Suspension of the Meeting</td>
<td>Recess meeting for a defined period</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Majority</td>
<td>Used to go into informal debate or break for a given time</td>
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<td>Adjournment of the Meeting</td>
<td>End meeting</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Majority</td>
<td>Used only on final day; ends committee for the year</td>
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<td>Adjournment of Debate</td>
<td>End debate without a substantive vote</td>
<td>2 pro/2 con</td>
<td>Majority</td>
<td>Tables the topic; requires a roll call</td>
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<td>Closure of Debate</td>
<td>Vote on all draft resolutions or report segments; move to an immediate vote</td>
<td>2 con</td>
<td>2/3 Majority</td>
<td>Ends all discussion on current topic</td>
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<td><strong>Division of the Question</strong></td>
<td>Consider clause(s) separately from rest of draft resolution or report segment</td>
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<td><strong>Part I</strong>: Procedural vote on if this motion should be considered</td>
<td>2 pro/2 con</td>
<td>Majority</td>
<td>If passes: Clause(s) removed and voted on separately</td>
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<td>If fails: No change to clause(s)</td>
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<td><strong>Part II</strong>: Substantive vote to accept or reject separate clauses</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Majority</td>
<td>If passes: Annex passes</td>
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<td>If fails: Clause(s) discarded and no longer part of any draft resolution</td>
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<td><strong>Roll Call Vote</strong></td>
<td>Vote by roll call, rather than show of placards</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Automatically granted once requested</td>
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<td><strong>Adopt by Acclamation</strong></td>
<td>Adopt a draft resolution or report segment as a body by consensus</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Once motioned Chair must ask if there are any dissensions</td>
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<td>Reconsideration</td>
<td>Re-open debate on an issue (Motion must be made by a member who voted in favor of Adjournment of Debate)</td>
<td>2 con</td>
<td>2/3 Majority</td>
<td>Untables topic that was tabled by Adjournment of Debate</td>
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<tr>
<td><em>Set the Speaker’s Time</em>*</td>
<td>Set or change the time allotted to each speaker</td>
<td>2 pro/2 con</td>
<td>Majority</td>
<td>It is very rarely used at the UN and may be ruled out of order by the Chair</td>
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<tr>
<td>Close the List of Speakers (also applies to re-opening the list)</td>
<td>No additional speakers may be added to the list</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Majority</td>
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<tr>
<td>Adoption of the Agenda</td>
<td>Approval of agenda order</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Majority</td>
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* No motions to set the speaking time will be accepted during the first committee session; these motions will only be accepted in subsequent sessions upon prior approval of the dais.

** Only these Motions are accepted during voting procedure.