Dissecting the Research Report



The research report is split into three sections: **the Introduction**, **the UN and Possible Solutions**.

PART 1 of the Research Report: The Introduction

What are the root causes of the issue? Use the information on the research report slides to outline the main causes that contribute to this problem:

- 1. What social factors cause this issue?
- 2. What economic factors cause this issue?
- 3. What political factors cause this issue? Political factors can be:

- a. Earthquakes
- b. Economic crisis
- c. Popular revolt
- d. Ebola-like virus
- e. Neighboring country testing weapons
- f. Sanctions on your country
- g. Trying to meet the criteria of a new union
- 4. What other factors cause this issue?
- 5. How long has this issue been a problem?
- 6. Why is this issue a problem?
- 7. Use the research report and the guiding questions to look up how your country engages with this issue.
- 8. How has your delegation negatively impacted this issue?
- 9. Which organisations benefit from the status quo?
- 10. How does your country benefit from the status quo?
- 11. Which countries agree with your delegations stance on this issue?
- 12. Does your delegation's policies contradicts the resolution of this issue?
- 13. Which countries influence this issue the most? How so?
- 14. How has your delegation positively impacted this issue?

- 15. Why is it important to positively impact the issue? How does it affect your country?
- 16. Which countries/groups are the most impacted by this issue?
- 17. Which countries/groups should take the lead in solving this issue?
- 18. What does your country want as a resolution to this issue? eg poorer countries would want to raise aid to the UN budget, if your country doesn't pay too much already they will want to keep that going and if you are a rich nation you will want to limit the spending to specific areas that support your national interests.

PART 2 of the Research Report: The UN

This section covers what UN action has been taken to address this issue on the agenda

1. Which resolutions linked to this issue has your country <u>ratified</u>?

Use this link to find out what resolutions your country has signed on to. At the United Nations Treaty Collection web-page you can find out which treaties your country is a signatory to

A list of UN declarations and conventions can be found here. The database can be searched by year or by subject.

- 2. Which UN resolutions linked to this issue were not ratified? Why?
- 3. Did your country take any steps to implement this resolution?
- 4. How far did this resolution solve the issue?
- 5. Why wasn't this resolution completely effective? Was it blocked by a specific organisation/country? Were there any objections from a major organization?

PART 3 of the Research Report: Possible Solutions

Read through the possible solutions outlined in the research report.

- 1. How far does your delegation agree with this solution? Why and how so?
- 2. Which countries would disagree with this solution?
- 3. Why would some countries disagree with these solutions?

- 4. What would your country need to change in order to implement this solution?
- 5. How would this affect the economy (jobs, market value etc)?
- 6. How would this affect education?
- 7. How would this affect political landscape in your country?