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# GENERAL INFORMATION

## 29<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL YMCA Model United Nations

### Conference Dates:

- A November 6-8, 2009
- B November 20-22, 2009

### ELIGIBILITY

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Students Grades 9-12  
Registered Member of a local Youth in Government Club

### DELEGATION SPECIFICS

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Each country must be represented by 3 delegates, Security Council countries included. It is no longer necessary for SC countries to have a fourth delegate who will sit on the SC. Seats on the SC will be assigned separately, and the SC delegates need not be from the same school as the General Assembly delegation for SC countries. They will not have to work together in any way.

### RESOLUTIONS

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Each delegation is required to write a unique General Assembly resolution on any topic they deem important to the country they represent unless otherwise noted. **ALL RESOLUTIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE YMCA CENTER FOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT VIA UPLOADING ON THE PROGRAM WEBSITE @ [www.tennesseeyig.org](http://www.tennesseeyig.org) USING THE TEMPLATES PROVIDED ONLINE. REFER TO THE PAGE TITLED *UPLOADING RESOLUTIONS & RESEARCH* for specific instructions on how to post your items.**

Please make certain that delegates avoid plagiarism of outside sources. If evidence of plagiarism exists, delegates can expect to be disciplined by the YMCA Center for Civic Engagement. Authors of plagiarized resolutions will be dismissed from the conference, and joke resolutions will not be accepted or entertained in General Assembly—with one exception. **In an attempt to relieve some of the tension that sometimes ensues in the lengthy Plenary session, each SCHOOL will be allowed to submit two joke resolutions, independent of any delegation resolutions, which MAY be entertained during a break in Plenary.**

Please make certain resolutions are typed according to the resolution guidelines outlined in this guide before you send them in to the state office.

## COUNTRY REQUESTS

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Country requests will be accepted beginning immediately. Country assignments will be made to delegations on a first come, first serve basis, as will assignments to the 15 available Security Council seats.

You will be notified of your other country assignments as the request forms arrive at our office. When all assignments have been made, you will receive a complete list of country assignments for your school for the conference.

*We ask that you please review this list when you receive it to ensure that your records match ours. Surprises are only fun when they can be handled PRIOR to the week of the conference! ☺*

**\*YOUR SCHOOL WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COVERING ALL OF THE COUNTRIES YOU ARE ASSIGNED—EVEN IF THE STUDENTS REPRESENTING THOSE COUNTRIES DROP. DROPPED DELEGATES WILL NO LONGER BE SUFFICIENT REASON TO DROP COUNTRIES. SCHOOLS WILL BE EXPECTED TO SHIFT STUDENTS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES TO ANY COUNTRIES LEFT EMPTY DUE TO DROPS. DEMAND FOR COUNTRIES IS SO HIGH THAT IT IS SIMPLY NOT FAIR TO CLAIM COUNTRIES DESIRED BY OTHER DELEGATES AND THEN DROP THEM, LEAVING THEM UNREPRESENTED AT THE CONFERENCE.\***

## SECURITY COUNCIL

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There are 15 countries with Security Council representation. Again, these seats will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis Security Council delegates will be responsible for writing a Security Council resolution—**concerning the topic assigned to their respective country in this manual—which should also be uploaded through the website—and for submitting one ADDITIONAL piece of SC research as defined in manual.** Each delegate assigned a SC seat must have a good working knowledge of the Security Council agenda. **SECURITY COUNCIL DELEGATES MUST HAVE ATTENDED ONE MUN CONFERENCE PRIOR TO THIS ONE.** It is also very important that you stress to any interested students that Security Council delegates will meet in the SC for the entire conference.

## INTERNATIONAL COURT

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There may be up to 6 justices on the ICJ. Justices will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. *However, students applying to fill justice positions MUST have either served as a lawyer or justice at a prior Youth in Government conference OR served as a justice or argued a case before the ICJ at a prior MUN conference.*

## PRESS

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There may be no more than 2 Press members per school, and **all press members MUST complete the Press Corps application and submit any samples required. Completion of the application does not guarantee acceptance. Emails will be sent to press delegates once they've been accepted.**

As at Youth in Government, press corps members will be expected to complete a press related assignment to be submitted with your resolutions. (Press delegates can find their assignment in the online delegate manual.)

# 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Tennessee YMCA MODEL UNITED NATIONS

*A Tennessee YMCA Center for Civic Engagement Program*

## Embassy Suites Cool Springs

### SAMPLE CONFERENCE AGENDA

#### FRIDAY

8:00 AM	Officer Meeting	Grand Ballroom
9:00 – 11:00 AM	Registration Luggage Storage	Pre-Function Lobby Azalea Room
11:15 – Noon	First Year Delegate Training	Grand Ballroom
12:00PM – 1:00PM	Opening Session	Grand Ballroom
1:15 PM– 4:30 PM	All Sessions Convene Advisor Hospitality Open International Court of Justice Security Council Press Corps <i>Y in the World Set</i>	Boardroom Williamson Room Franklin Room Iris Room Magnolia Room

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Location</u>
1 Disarmament and International Security	Poplar Room
2 Special Political and Decolonization	Redbud Room
3 ECOFIN & SOCHUM	Chestnut Room
4 ECOFIN & SOCHUM	Hickory Room
5 Social, Humanitarian and Cultural	Maple Room
6 Social, Humanitarian and Cultural	Oak Room
7 Social, Humanitarian and Cultural	Birch Room
8 Ad Hoc	Sycamore Room

4:30 PM – 6:30 PM	Dinner Break	
5:00 PM	Advisor Dinner	Hotel Restaurant
6:30 PM – 7:30PM	Delegation Meetings & Check in	Locations in Book
7:30 PM – 9:45PM	All Sessions Reconvene	
9:50 PM – 10:15 PM	General Assembly Orientation	Grand Ballroom
10:30 - 11:00 PM	All delegates on their assigned floors	

11:00 PM                      Lights out: all delegates in rooms and out of halls!  
 (Absolutely NO ONE out of their rooms after curfew)

\*\*\* Please wait in your rooms for College Staff to deliver Pizza...if you ordered it.\*\*\*

# SATURDAY

8:30 AM	Officer Meeting	Grand Ballroom
9:00 AM	Advisor Meeting	Azalea Room
9:30 AM - Noon	<b>All Sessions Reconvene</b>	
	Plenary Session	Grand Ballroom
	Advisor Hospitality	Board Room
	International Court of Justice	Williamson Room
	Press Corps	Iris Room
	Security Council	Franklin Room
	World Cup Competition	Azalea Room
	<i>Y in the World Set</i>	Magnolia Room
Noon – 2:00 PM	Lunch Break	
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	<b>All Sessions Reconvene</b>	
	Plenary Session	Grand Ballroom
	Advisor Hospitality	Magnolia Room
	International Court of Justice	Williamson Room
	Press Corps	Iris Room
	Security Council	Franklin Room
	World Cup Competition	Azalea Room
	<i>Y in the World Set</i>	Magnolia Room
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Polls Open	Pre-Function Lobby
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Advisor Hospitality	Board Room
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Dinner Break	
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	<b>All Sessions Reconvene</b>	
	Plenary Session	Grand Ballroom
	Advisor Hospitality	Board Room
	International Court of Justice	Williamson Room
	Press Corps	Iris Room
	Security Council	Franklin Room
	<i>Y in the World Set</i>	Magnolia Room
9:00 PM	Personal Time	Assigned Hotel Floors
9:30 PM	Delegation Meetings	See List in Book
9:50PM	Conference Dance	Grand Ballroom
	Wii Tournament	Azalea Room
11:00 PM	All delegates on their assigned floor halls	
11:30 PM	All delegates in their rooms	

**\*Pizza will be delivered to your room...if you ordered it\***

**SUNDAY**

**Early Morning**

**Pack Up!!!**

**Luggage Storage**

**Azalea Room**

**9:00AM – 10:30 AM**

**All Sessions Reconvene**

**Plenary Session**

**Advisor Hospitality**

**International Court of Justice**

**Press Corps**

**Security Council**

**Y in the World Set**

**Grand Ballroom**

**Board Room**

**Williamson Room**

**Iris Room**

**Franklin Room**

**Magnolia Room**

**10:45 AM – 11:30 AM**

**World Cup Championship**

**Grand Ballroom**

**11:30 AM – 12:30PM**

**Closing Ceremony**

**Grand Ballroom**

*Happy Holidays!*

# ***DEADLINES***

## **EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**

Registration forms for ALL components are now being accepted.

### **Dates**

**August 24, 2009** –Positions for Security Council and Press Corps as well Country Requests will be assigned to any applications received by the YMCA Center for Civic Engagement by this date.

- We will also accept Lawyer Team Registrations.

**October 5, 2009**- All the following is due on or before this date:

- All General Resolutions
- General Assembly General Research
- General Assembly Position Papers (4 per Country)
- Security Council Resolution
- Additional Security Council Research (see page
- ICJ Memorials and Counter Memorials
- Delegate Statement of Financial Responsibility
- Financial Assistance Forms
- Delegate Codes of Conduct
- Committee Clerk Recommendations
- Rooming List
- Candidate Nomination Forms
- Candidate Profiles
- World Cup Registration
- Adult Registration Forms
- Adult Background Authorization Forms

## **IMPORTANT DEADLINE INFORMATION:**

### **□ SECURITY COUNCIL REGISTRATIONS**

Security Council positions will be assigned beginning August 24, 2009. Any registration for Security Council received by this date will be assigned by random selection. If any positions remain open after August 24<sup>th</sup>, they will be assigned on a first-come, first serve basis. Once all positions have been filled, we'll contact you immediately with the assignments.

### **□ LAWYER REGISTRATIONS**

If you have students wishing to serve as lawyers in the International Court of Justice, please submit those registration forms to us ASAP. Each lawyer team will receive their case to begin preparing their memorials and counter memorials, complete with instructions, deadlines, etc. We cannot send the cases out, however, until we know who the lawyers are, so **PLEASE DO NOT DELAY** in submitting Lawyer Registrations! The sooner we have those registrations, the more time your students will have to prepare for the conference.

### **□ PRESS CORPS APPLICATIONS**

Applications for press corps will be evaluated before acceptance is granted. Once selected, the press delegates will receive an assignment via email from the component leader(s).

### **□ ROOMING LISTS**

Rooming Lists **MUST** be received by the YMCA Center for Civic Engagement by Monday October 5, 2009. We are not able to guarantee sleeping rooms for schools who submit the summary/invoice and rooming list after that date.

# Premier Delegation

## What is Premier Delegation?

Recognition for being the best of the best! The YMCA Center for Civic Engagement wishes to recognize those delegations which adhere to all conference rules and regulations and go above and beyond to prepare their students for the Model United Nations Conference.

## Why strive to be Premier Delegation?

Premier Delegations will:

1. Have the late breakfast time slot both Saturday and Sunday mornings.
2. Have priority dismissal following Saturday evening event.
3. Be contacted first in the event there is an unfilled office or if the runner up for that office declines the position. These positions may be unfilled because no delegate chose to run or because of circumstances throughout the year which may prevent an officer from returning.
4. Receive priority dismissal for meals on Saturday, allowing them to board buses before all fast passes and other delegates.
5. Have recognition for your achievement in the book at the conference the following year.

## How is your school selected as a Premier Delegation?

Those delegations who have met the following criteria will be named Premier Delegations at the closing ceremony on the last day of the Conference. Criteria for selection are:

1. All forms as listed on the conference deadlines submitted to the YMCA Center for Civic Engagement by the dates requested.
2. 100% Attendance at all scheduled events
3. ON-TIME to all scheduled events
4. 75% Voter turn out at conference election
5. Exceptional overall behavior of delegation, students and adults (code of conduct)

**\*\*If there are special circumstances, the advisor shall take his/her case to the YMCA Center for Civic Engagement.**

# FEE SUMMARY

All fees must be paid to the YMCA of Middle Tennessee prior to or upon your arrival at your respective conference.

We would prefer you submit one check, payable to the YMCA of Middle Tennessee, for your entire club's total conference fees.

**\*\*\*IF YOU SUBMIT MULTIPLE CHECKS TO THE YMCA OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE, PLEASE MAKE PARENTS AND STUDENTS AWARE THAT THOSE CHECKS ARE NOT BUDGETED FOR DEPOSIT UNTIL OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER. PLEASE MAKE SURE THEY DO NOT EXPECT THE CHECK TO CLEAR THEIR BANK QUICKLY. WE HAVE HAD SOME SITUATIONS RECENTLY WHERE PEOPLE STOPPED PAYMENTS ON CHECKS BECAUSE THEY TOOK SO LONG TO CLEAR.\*\*\***

Fees for the 2009 Model United Nations Conference are as follows:

Delegate Registration (Conference) Fee:	150.00
Adult Registration (Conference) Fee:	25.00
Hotel Cost:	400.00 per room

*(This per room cost covers both nights in the hotel. You may put up to 6 students in a room, but your school's total occupancy will determine how you divide this cost among your students. Therefore, the total cost to students for the conference will likely vary from school to school. Bottom line, if you tell us you need 10 rooms, we need \$4000 from you to pay for those rooms. Divvy it up however you like, just be aware that your school will be responsible for payment for the total number of rooms you request we reserve for you.)*

# UNITED NATIONS

## CURRENT MEMBER STATES

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**BOLD** indicates Security Council Member

Afghanistan	Cuba	<b>Japan</b>
Albania	Cyprus	Jordan
Algeria	Czech Republic	Kazakhstan
Andorra	Dem. People's Rep. of Korea	Kenya
Angola	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Kiribati
Antigua & Barbuda	Denmark	Kuwait
Argentina	Djibouti	Kyrgyzstan
Armenia	Dominica	Lao People's Dem. Rep.
Australia	Dominican Republic	Latvia
<b>Austria</b>	Ecuador	Lebanon
Azerbaijan	Egypt	Lesotho
Bahamas	El Salvador	Liberia
Bahrain	Equatorial Guinea	<b>Libyan Arab Jamahiriya</b>
Bangladesh	Eritrea	Liechtenstein
Barbados	Estonia	Lithuania
Belarus	Ethiopia	Luxembourg
Belgium	Fiji	Madagascar
Belize	Finland	Malawi
Benin	<b>France</b>	Malaysia
Bhutan	Gabon	Maldives
Bolivia	Gambia	Mali
Bosnia & Herzegovina	Georgia	Malta
Botswana	Germany	Marshall Islands
Brazil	Ghana	Mauritania
Brunei Darussalam	Greece	Mauritius
Bulgaria	Grenada	<b>Mexico</b>
<b>Burkina Faso</b>	Guatemala	Micronesia
Burundi	Guinea	Republic of Moldova
Cambodia	Guinea-Bissau	Monaco
Cameroon	Guyana	Mongolia
Canada	Haiti	Montenegro
Cape Verde	Honduras	Morocco
Central African Republic	Hungary	Mozambique
Chad	Iceland	Myanmar
Chile	India	Namibia
<b>China</b>	Indonesia	Nauru
Colombia	Iran	Nepal
Comoros	Iraq	Netherlands
Congo	Ireland	New Zealand
<b>Costa Rica</b>	Israel	Nicaragua
Cote d'Ivoire	Italy	Niger
<b>Croatia</b>	Jamaica	Nigeria

Norway  
Oman  
Pakistan  
Palau  
Panama  
Papua New Guinea  
Paraguay  
Peru  
Philippines  
Poland  
Portugal  
Qatar  
Republic of Korea  
Romania  
**Russian Federation**  
Rwanda  
Saint Kitts & Nevis  
Saint Lucia  
St. Vincent & the Grenadines  
Samoa  
San Marino  
Sao Tome & Principe  
Saudi Arabia  
Senegal  
Serbia  
Seychelles  
Sierra Leone  
Singapore  
Slovakia  
Slovenia  
Solomon Islands  
Somalia  
South Africa  
Spain  
Sri Lanka  
Sudan  
Suriname  
Swaziland  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Syrian Arab Republic  
Tajikistan  
Thailand  
former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia  
Timor-Leste

Trinidad & Tobago  
Tunisia  
**Turkey**  
Turkmenistan  
Tuvalu  
**Uganda**  
Ukraine  
United Arab Emirates  
**United Kingdom of Great Britain & Northern Ireland**  
United Republic of Tanzania  
**United States of America**  
Uruguay  
Uzbekistan  
Vanuatu  
Venezuela  
**Viet Nam**  
Yemen  
Zambia  
Zimbabwe

***DO NOT REQUEST A NON MEMBER STATE ON  
YOUR COUNTRY REQUEST FORM!***

Non Member States will only be utilized if all other countries are assigned, in which case we will contact schools and /or delegations directly when we reach that point.

Non Member States

African Union  
Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization  
Caribbean Community  
European Community  
International Organization for Migration  
International Seabed Authority  
International Committee of the Red Cross  
Holy See  
League of Arab States  
Palestine  
Organization of Islamic Conference

# Format for Debate

## I. Committee

- Two minutes - Introduction
- Two minutes - Technical Questions
- +/-Five minutes - Con/pro debate
- One minute - Summation

### Amendments

- One minute - Introduction
- Two rounds - Con/pro debate (1 minute per speaker)
- One minute - Summation

## II. Plenary

- Two minutes - Introduction
- One minute - Technical Questions
- Three rounds - Con/pro debate (2 minutes per speaker)
- Two minutes - Summation

## RANKING FORM

Best 1..2..3..4..5 Worst

Committee Ranking Forms

	Resolution #	Character	Innovation	Significant Impact	Presentation	Research	Total	Final Ranking	
1									1
2									2
3									3
4									4
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# ***INTENT SPEAKER PROCEDURE***

## **WHAT IS AN INTENT SPEAKER?**

An intent speaker is a person recognized in advance to prepare a 2-minute speech, either pro or con, for a given proposal. The chosen intent speakers shall make the first pro and con speeches for each proposal.

## **HOW DO I BECOME AN INTENT SPEAKER?**

Delegates wishing to be intent speakers for any proposal shall submit a folded piece of paper, containing the proposal number and their intent, either pro or con, written legibly on the outside. The inside of the request should contain the delegate's name and country. (Each delegate may only submit intent speaker requests for two proposals – one PRO and one CON.) However, each country will be recognized with an intent speaker only once during the conference.

## **HOW ARE INTENT SPEAKERS CHOSEN?**

Once all forms for intent speaker requests are collected, one PRO and one CON intent speaker shall be determined by a random drawing for each proposal. The intent speakers will be announced at least three proposal's prior to the presentation of the chosen proposal.

# SERVICE LEARNING PROJECTS

*The YMCA of Middle Tennessee encourages service learning in all of its programs. Therefore, we ask, that as a part of this YMCA Center for Civic Engagement Conference, each school sponsor a Service Learning Project, or simply join an existing community service project.*

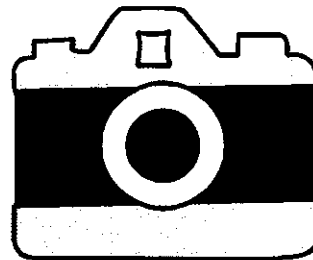
*There are infinite possibilities for projects, so be creative. Just FYI, below are a few ideas to help get you started:*

- Raise money for Plan Padrino
- Repaint your school's bathroom
- Host a graffiti clean-up in your community
- Host a can drive to benefit a local food bank
- Sponsor a school trash bag-a-thon
- Collect coats for those who can't afford them
- Start a Clothes Closet at a local elementary school
- Volunteer as a team for a local city-wide service project
- Adopt a highway near your school

*BE SURE TO TAKE PICTURES DURING YOUR SERVICE PROJECT. WE WILL DISPLAY STORY BOARDS OF SERVICE PROJECTS.*

*PROJECTS AT THE CONFERENCE! ONE SCHOOL WILL WIN AN AWARD FOR BEST SCHOOL SERVICE PROJECT!*

*You MUST complete a service project to be eligible for PREMIER DELEGATION!!!*



*Tennessee YMCA Model United Nations*  
**RESEARCH REQUIREMENTS**

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Each member state delegation will be required to submit the following pieces of research in order to be eligible for conference awards:

**I. BASIC COUNTRY INFORMATION**

Please provide a minimum one-page, typed paper covering the following items as they concern the nation you have chosen to represent:

- Government (What type of government is in place?)
- Geography (Where is it located, what's close to it?)
- Economy (What is the state of the economy?)
- Culture (What are the people like? How do they live? Religion?)

**II. 4 POSITION PAPERS**

Each delegation is required to submit a total of four position papers. Your delegation will prepare one position paper on one topic from each of the four standing United Nations committees. You **may not** select your topics at random. Your advisor will provide you with a list of topics from which you may choose. Specific instructions on composing a position paper follow in this manual. Please follow those guidelines, as other delegates may rely on the information you provide. All position papers will be organized by committee, and will be available in their respective committees so that they might be used as resources for debate. Your position papers should be typed, and single-spaced is preferred to conserve paper!

**Please refer your delegates to the online delegate manual for specific guidelines on composing their position papers. You also have a copy of those guidelines in the *Reference Materials* section of this Advisor Guide.**

## Position Paper Topics

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Each country must choose and write on one topic from each of the standing committees of the General Assembly. Each country will submit a total of 4 position papers.

### I. Disarmament and International Security

#### **A. Disarmament, Weapons Management**

- Security of weapons technology and materials
- Use of NATO banned ammunition & weaponry

#### **B. Oversight of ongoing Weapons Inspections**

#### **C. United Nations' Personnel**

- Safety of observers and relief workers in areas of conflict
- Ethical oversight of programs and missions

#### **D. Conventional arms control in conflict regions**

- Children in Combat
- Use of concealed explosives
- Treatment of POWs and detained persons

### II. Economic and Financial

#### **A. Sustainable Development**

- Building economic institutions (markets, infrastructure, banking)
- Stability of the commodities and energy trades

#### **B. Strategies to adapt to forces of globalization**

#### **C. International Debt Management**

#### **D. Availability of International Investment**

- Encouraging constructive investment in developing nations

#### **E. Fair Trade Practices**

### III. Social, Humanitarian and Cultural

#### **A. Humanitarian concerns in war zones**

- Infectious disease, temporary shelter, displaced peoples, relief availability

#### **B. HIV/AIDS**

- Generic medications, funding prevention activities, relief for orphans

#### **C. Population and Environment**

- Population density related to global health
- Waste Management Practices
- Water borne infectious disease
- Agricultural and humanitarian issues related to famine and drought
- Water and air contamination by Multi-National Corporations
- Wildlife protection in international waters, whaling
- Exploitation & Abuse of Natural Resources (i.e. diamond mining)

### IV. Special Political and Decolonization

#### **A. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space**

#### **B. Economic and other activities that affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories**

#### **C. Safety of International Travelers**

#### **D. Social, Security, and Health Threats of the International Narcotics Trade and Organized Crime**

#### **E. Effects of atomic radiation and discarded weapons materials**