



Committee on the Agenda

Your chance to provide input on the topics to be discussed at the 2012 AMUN Conference happens on Tuesday at 1:15 pm in Michigan A&B.

Delegation Lottery

Eighty-three schools participated in the Delegation Lottery, selecting 105 countries. We look forward to seeing you at AMUN 23 in 2012!

Representative Dance

Representatives are eager to figuratively let their hair down and to literally get their groove on. Don't leave the DJ standing alone in the dark!

Top 8 Breaking News for the UN

1973: A Busy Year

Representatives in the Historical Security Council (1973) from the United States, USSR, China and France have been incredibly busy observing world security. During a press conference Monday morning they addressed peace talks in the Middle East and an American/Soviet coalition in Cyprus. The Council also announced the addition of three new Member States.

Russians in Iranian Reactors

Iran has recently allowed professionals from the Russian Federation and India into many, if not all, nuclear facilities. The Russian Federation and India declared that any and all potentially dangerous materials are being used solely for domestic, industrial and educational use.

Greek Financial Woes

Greece held a press conference Monday morning to address multiple issues in the ECE. Its representatives voiced their concerns about their litigation being ignored because of their current financial state. They also brought attention to the help they were receiving from Hungary and Poland, and suggested nuclear arms could be a deterrent to war with Turkey.

Developing Microcredit

A Press Conference was held by representatives of Cuba, Ghana and Tunisia on the subject of microcredit in developing nations. The focus of Resolution 2/I/3 was centered on linking available aid to the 48 least-developed nations to improve quality of life for impoverished citizens. Additionally, Resolution 2/I/4 was passed during the conference, focusing on educational needs for recipients of microcredit.

Russia Issues Condemnation

The Russian Federation condemns the US for acting unilaterally in the invasion of Iraq, despite Security Council resolutions urging the United States to pursue a more peaceful means of intervention. The Russian Federation maintains that the US invasion of Iraq was hypocritical and inappropriate in light of lacking international cooperation.

France is Against Iraq Invasion

France held a press conference Monday morning to condemn the bilateral invasion of Iraq by the United States and the United Kingdom. The representatives from France explained that they are currently acting as mediators to maintain peace and collaboration, as stated in the UN charter.

ICJ Verdict in Germany v. Italy

Nine justices wrote and signed the majority opinion ruling in favor of Germany. Justice Kron, who was concerned with the ruling, penned an opinion of his own. Justices Berman and Hathaway dissented.

UK Mission Shot Down

On 21 November 2011, the UK sent a special operation into Syrian territory in order to bring Minister al-Sari to safety. The mission was shot down, with sixteen presumed dead and two captured. The UK now considers Syria to be a hostile state.



Pictured at the Canadian Consulate, from left to right: Anton Salokhim, Carl Nadig, Ross Saleino, Tyler Carolan, Beth Arbogast, Michelle Romero, Raquel Chavez, Maria Evstetieva, Consul Brian Herman, and Faculty Advisor Dr. Hee-Jin Han.

Representatives Visit Canadian Consulate

Visit with Canadian Consul

"Canada celebrates its diversity"

By Ted Goodman

IPD Reporter

Representatives were able to meet the very people they are attempting to role play at the conference. Northern Illinois University spent their Monday afternoon visiting the Canadian Consulate right here in Chicago.

Ross Salerno, President of the NIU Model UN Delegation, said the visit was very informative and

extremely valuable to the representatives. "We are very lucky to have had the opportunity to visit with the very people we are representing at this year's conference," he said. The delegation met with the Consul and Head of Political, Economic and Public Affairs, Mr. Brian Herman. The delegation spent quite some time discussing where Canada stands on an array of issues, from consolidation of peace, to practical disarmament measures, to the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases. Mr. Herman was more than gracious with his time, even going as far as to give the delegation

a tour of the consulate.

Representative Tyler Carolan described Mr. Herman and the staff at the consulate as very inviting, and approachable. "After speaking with the consul, I am very proud to represent Canada." Asked what most stood out to him about the visit, Carolan remarked upon the artwork found in the halls of the consulate. "Canada celebrates its diversity, and they had some unique artwork on the walls throughout the hallways."

How the Afternoon was Spent

By Darren Meeker

IPD Reporter

With time to spare and the beautiful city of Chicago at their fingertips, many representatives used their free time to explore. Connor Shirley from the University of Arizona said that they used their free time to eat; then

they met up to go ice skating as a group where they bumped into a few delegates from other schools. Some schools gave their students free reign for the entire break; and some students, like Tara Hammer from Missouri State took this time to go shopping with friends. For those who did not feel up for

roaming around Chicago, hotel rooms offered a relaxing place to nap, to work on homework or to take a break from the hustle and bustle of the conference. It appears that, across the board, everyone believes this break was deserved and well needed.

Slumber Party! Actually, it's a dance.



It's the 22nd annual AMUN dance!

Arrive in your jammies for this year's Pajama Jam!

21 November
10 – 2 am River Exhibition Hall

Order of Agenda at the Combined General Assembly Plenary
Third Committee Resolutions
First Committee Resolutions
Sixth Committee Resolutions
Second Committee Resolutions
World Health Assembly Report (1:00 pm)

Personal Ads

Looking for a hot date to the Pajama Party? Contact Tim Rose, representing Palestine in the Third Committee (also answers to 'livewire')

KC-
Congratulations on your first time! Next time, we can do better than Malort!
♥♥AMUN Staff♥♥

Looking for a date to the Dance? Find Michael Hill, GA 1 Greece. Swag Goo.

KC in DC:
Excited for the new house!

Dear CSD
Thanks for being such a rockin' Commission
-Your "Awesome" Dais

Hey everyone, remember ESCAPÉ?

BVF - Next year we should take back what is rightfully ours and reintroduce nap time.
Family. Over.
Everything. FOE.
-RCA

Favorite AMUN Moment #1: The day I met my fiance.
Myra, you're gorgeous.

To 3rd Committee Philippines:
Fill my hand, strangers.
- Former Partner in the Lab of Love

Dr. Dan the Magic Man,
Whatevs.
You're making me tired.
- Bunny

Kayla,
You made me lose money.
- IPD Guy

JW, SD, RF -
Thanks for being family. Big heart. TH

Bangladesh! Lets get through this weekend, 'cause we're going big next year! Let's celebrate tonight with some dude with an awesome tie collection! Thanks for everyone's hard work.

BVF-
Next year we should take back what was rightfully ours and reintroduce nap time.
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-RCA

You are my favorite chick. I am glad that you made it back to the nest. - Much Love!

Schadenfreude
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The United Nations

Thanks for the great work IPD reporters!
-IPD Staff

Committee Updates: Work of the United Nations Never Stops

By Jordan Sarchett
Security Council

The contemporary Security Council passed a resolution on Monday morning regarding Iranian nuclear weaponry. SC/1/3 calls for economic sanctions unless transparency within Iran is dramatically increased. The resolution was passed with a vote of 11/1/3. Brazil voted against the resolution due to concerns voiced by Representative Greg Siems of Brazil: “[Economic] sanctions will only antagonize and isolate Iran and will merely escalate the situation.”

By Hillary Thornton
General Assembly Plenary

The General Assembly Plenary has been working quickly, perhaps too quickly according to some concerned representatives. As of noon on Monday, the committee has voted on five resolutions, accepting three out of the five.

Representative Fiona Meeker of Ecuador voiced her concern about the sense of haste among the representatives. She urged the GA to be more considerate, as they had previously passed three resolutions with little discussion.

Many representatives believe that this sense of haste is greatly influencing the actions being taken by the GA. Representative Ryan Donovan of Haiti, a sponsor of GA Plen/I/7, believed the resolution was one of the most innovative solutions to drug reform. The resolution ultimately failed by a vote of 22/38/36. Unfortunately, there was not adequate time given for debate or discussion of possible amendments, which is why Haiti feels GA Plen/I/7 failed.

By Marcus Taylor
GA First Committee

Representatives in the First Committee were able to collectively overcome the deadlock that has existed since Sunday night by passing two resolutions. The first resolution, 1st/II/2, which was an effort to coordinate the destruction of illicit stockpiles of small

arms and light weapons and to eliminate the illicit trafficking of these weapons, passed with a vote of 40/30/26 early Monday morning. Shortly thereafter, the committee was able to overwhelmingly pass Resolution 1st/II/5, which seeks to assist in the removal of landmines in post-conflict areas and rehabilitate victims of injuries resulting from landmines, with a vote of 83/4/10. The First Committee is continuing debate on Resolution 1st/II/6, a resolution that focuses on disarming, demobilizing and reintegrating combatants, with two amendments already approved. Expectations are high following this very productive Monday morning.

By Samuel Krischenheiter
GA Second Committee

On Monday, discussion began in the General Assembly Second Committee on the issue of renewable energy, switching topics from the previous debate on Microfinance and Microcredit. Resolution 2nd/II/1 has been distributed to representatives for discussion, and the proposed resolution is being heatedly debated in session. The main cause of concern in the resolution is the proposal for the creation of an Intergovernmental Organization (IGO) that will organize regional boards of representatives for the purpose of distributing aid to nations looking to expand their renewable energy operations. Resolutions 2nd/II/2 and 2nd/II/3 have also been produced, though they have not yet been brought up for discussion.

By Stephanie Warner
GA Third Committee

The Third Committee passed another resolution regarding the Right to Food topic area in Monday morning's session. After a division of the question, Resolution 3rd/I/8 passed without clause 6 by a vote of 79/6/16. Thereafter, the assembly switched to the second agenda topic, Protecting Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms While Countering

Terrorism, by a vote of 58/27/10. The initial discussion addressed the mutual relationship between human rights and countering terrorism.

By Darren Meeker
GA Sixth Committee

Representative Ifedayo Olasupo of Djibouti said he was very disappointed with the way committee went this morning. As a whole, the committee is failing to reach consensus, and Representative Olasupo said that he believes this is the most important goal of the committee. Throughout the entirety of the morning only a few items were passed. Along with the vetoes of draft resolutions, there was a vote of no competence and two roll call votes, in addition to appeals of the decisions of the chairs, re-votes, and many more motions that were thwarted during this morning's session.

By Stephanie Warner
CSD

The Commission on Sustainable Development continues to make progress toward sustainable development, passing two more resolutions Monday morning. Resolution CSD/I/3 was adopted by consensus with no abstentions. It addresses issues from the International Subcommittee. An amendment known as “More Radios” was added by a vote of 25/2/7. The CSD also passed Resolution CSD/I/5 by a vote of 30/2/2. It addresses issues from the Education Subcommittee. Draft Resolution CSD/I/1 was also brought back to the floor, causing a heated debate that still continues.

By Samuel Kirschenheiter
ECE

The Economic Commission for Europe continues to debate the issue of clean and renewable energy as of Monday night. It completed the first draft of a report on possible plans to deal with global carbon emissions. This report deals with three various methods of limiting carbon pollution: study of the EU Emission Trad-

ing System, a proposed carbon tax and research on Land Value Taxation and International Monetary Commitments. Each of these methods are reviewed in detail in the report and are analyzed based on various characteristics, such as feasibility and incentives produced for countries. More news on this will follow as discussion continues on the report.

By Benjamin Theobald
ECOSOC

The Economic and Social Council passed Resolution ECOSOC/II/1 on Monday morning by a vote of 35/1/6. The resolution is expected to open negotiations between Israel and Palestine by allowing businesses to develop using basic materials to run an economy. The resolution encourages small, peaceful negotiations between the two nations. Those who did not support the resolution were members of the Arab League and voiced concerns in recognizing Israel as an official nation, as the resolution calls for. Japan was one of the primary supporters of the resolution. Representative Joel McGuire of Japan thinks the resolution is a big step in the right direction for Israel and Palestine relations. “It’s a neutral agreement that is going to be beneficial for everybody and creates economic development for Palestine by increasing trade, assuming the Security Council does not block it and if Israel accepts the resolution,” he said.

By Shane Franklin
HSC 1973

The Historical Security Council of 1973, in an evident display of solidarity, passed resolution HCS-1973/I/4 Monday morning, by a vote of 14/1/0, with the outlier vote being the nation of Sudan. This resolution was passed in response to the “ongoing hostility on the southern border of Zambia,” according to line five of the resolution.

The Security Council plans to maintain peace in the region by sending no more than 1,000

ground troops with small arms to Zambia’s southern border. These troops will be deployed from the nations of Peru, Australia, and Indonesia, as well as any other Member State that volunteers.

This peacekeeping mission will last for approximately six months before it must be reevaluated and approved again by both the Security Council and Zambia.

By Leyla Falhan
HSC 2003

The Historical Security Council of 2003 started Monday’s discussion with an update from the International Red Crescent informing the Council that the Oil for Food Program no longer operates in Iraq, affecting 60% of the Iraqi population. France drafted Resolution HSC-2003/3 to address the humanitarian crisis in Iraq and proposed creating the United Nations Mission in Iraq (UNMI). The Syrian Arab Republic stated that it supports all humanitarian aid efforts in Iraq. Similarly, Representative Chris Gelke of Chile said “the success of HSC-2003/3 will ensure that the people of Iraq get the help they need.” At press time, representatives were caucusing about draft resolution HSC-2003/4, which focused on the creation of an independent, self-governed Iraq.

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The Concerns of the DPRK

By Hillary Thornton
IPD Reporter

The General Assembly Plenary Representatives from the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea (DPRK) voiced their concern on Monday about topics being discussed at this conference, particularly in the GA Plenary.

Representatives Will Deyoung and Representative Madalyn Holyfield of DPRK felt that many of the topics being discussed are built upon Western states. They believe that many countries are incapable of addressing these so-called “first-world” problems. Representative Deyoung believes, “We are wasting our time on

issues that aren’t relevant to all countries. We could use our time much better.”

The particular topic being discussed heavily in GA Plenary that concerns these representatives is the International Cooperation Against the World Drug Problem. DPRK’s stance on this topic is that the world drug problem is not a global problem.

Ultimately, this delegation is distraught because they feel that “these topics almost seem incapable to reach all people,” said Representative Deyoung.

Press Releases

Israel - Security Council

The State of Israel declares it will only freeze settlement expansion upon the strict condition that Palestine completely and effectually discontinues its bid for statehood in addition to its attempt to acquire membership in smaller UN bodies.

United States - Delegation

With regard to the sentiments during Iran and Saudi Arabia’s press conference, the United States and the United Kingdom are deeply alarmed by these baseless accusations and remind the Arab League of our unrelenting and unwavering commitment in ensuring this region is protected against tyrants and terrorists. The United States has no knowledge of

any CIA activity in or around Iran, Lebanon or Saudi Arabia.

DPRK - WHA

The countries of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, and the People’s Republic of China would like to explain our dissenting opinion to the WHA report on non-communicable diseases. We believe this report infringes on the sovereignty of individual nations for the sake of furthering the agenda of a few. We would like to reaffirm our belief we as states we have the right to make our own policies. We respect the decisions of the other nations to further the health of their citizens.

Greece - Delegation

The Hellenic Republic would like to clarify statements made at our press conference earlier today. Greece is fully committed to the democratic and capitalistic principles of the European Union. We are committed to the principles of the EU. Greece is struggling through a period of political and economic instability. Rogue voices will sometimes lash out and blame the problems that Greece faces on others and will offer solutions that are impractical and unethical. Greece wants the EU to know that we are committed to Europe as our future and will work towards a stronger Europe. Greece also refers to the Greek Permanent Representative for any further questions regarding today’s press conference.