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### COMMITTEE ON THE AGENDA

Make sure your delegation attends the Committee on the Agenda. It is your chance to shape the future of AMUN by helping pick the topics.

### GRADUATE SCHOOL & CAREER EXPO

still deciding, stop by the Expo and visit with schools and businesses to explore your future.

### Dance Dance Resolution!

Dance like you mean it on Monday Night! All Reps must have their Credentials for admittance to the "Halloween Revisited" Dance.

### Committee & Council Updates

### GENERAL ASSEMBLY PLENARY

The General Assembly Concur-I rent Plenary submitted and debated drafts of resolutions and submitted two. The resolutions pertain to the development of preventative measures and the establishment of a cluster approach, respectively.

#### GA FIRST COMMITTEE

2The Committee on Disarmament and International Security passed its first resolution on Sunday evening, which highlighted and reaffirmed the Non-Proliferation Treaty. Four other draft resolutions have been proposed.

### GA SECOND COMMITTEE

3 The GA Second Committee passed a resolution concerning food security on Sunday evening by a vote of 68/19/15. The resolution advocates expanding agricultural education, as well as creating local food co-ops. The resolution was sponsored by Indonesia, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Jamaica, Turkmenistan, Nepal and Sri Lanka.

#### GA THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee has debated three resolutions. Resolution 3rd/I/1 failed. A consensus on resolution 3rd/I/2 was not reached. The committee had not discussed 3rd/I/3.

### GA FOURTH COMMITTEE

5 During session Sunday night, the Fourth Committee passed Resolution 4th/I/1. This resolution involved refugees and promoted the international community coming together to help with the Occupation of the Syrian Golan.

### HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

The Human Rights Council 6 The Human Rights Cona number of topics relating to the rights of civilians in armed conflict. Specific topics include sexual violence against especially vulnerable groups, refugees, government accountability and the Palestinian/Israeli conflict.

### **ECOSOC**

After a prolonged debate, the Economic and Social Council passed resolution ECOSOC/I/1. The body is currently discussing a resolution regarding education in a global market.

### **ESCAP**

8 The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific spent Sunday night writing reports in subgroups. Each subgroup fo-cused on a different aspect of the issue of Energy Security and Sustainable Development.

### **CPD**

9 The Commission on Population and Development passed a resolution regarding education. The commission moved on to writing a draft resolution regarding employment and its ties to migra-

### Personal Ads:

"I really want to take the time this week to unite North and South Korea. High priority for China.'

# What are you doing after graduation? If you are



The 15 Justices of the International Court of Justice deliberate behind closed doors, debating over the occupation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo by Uganda.

### ICJ DELIBERATES ON SECOND CASE CONGO V. UGANDA

The case will be decided Monday evening at 6:10 pm.

#### By Alexandria Witt Reporter for GA2 and ICJ

The International Court of Justice had a busy Sunday that consisted of announcing the opinion of its first case, as well as hearing its second. In the Malaysia/Singapore case, the Court decided for Malaysia, with nine justices in favor and seven dissenting.

The second case to be decided

by the ICJ is Democratic Republic of the Congo v. Republic of Uganda, which was heard on Sunday evening. The case revolved around unwanted military occupation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) by Uganda.

Due to instability during regime change, the DRC requested aid from Uganda in maintaining control of the eastern Congo. The DRC charges that instead of simply providing the needed aid under reasonable circumstances, the Ugandan military refused to leave

the country upon request and unleashed a barrage of attacks on DRC civilians which included massacres, rape, abductions and looting.

The advocates of Uganda argued that the actions taken by Uganda were entirely humanitarian in nature and required to maintain stability in the region. Any attacks of such brutal nature, they insist, were instigated by paramilitary groups

unaffiliated with any country.

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### #AMUN

#### By Emily Moorhead Reporter for GA3 and CPD

Throughout the Conference, representatives have been using Twitter to vent their frustrations and report on hilarious happenings. Here are just a few of the tweets published throughout the past couple of days:

- Model UN: Get used to being referred to by your country name, \*especially\* outside of session. #AMUN
- We would like to discuss the situation of thirst in the United Kingdom #AMUN
- Personally, I'm still a fan of the Oxford comma. #AMUN #prmajorproblems
- I'm convinced Model UN kids must not watch the news. #AMUN
- This is so fakely cool, our resolution is hopefully going to the floor soon and we just did a press conference. #AMUN
- We are wasting SO MUCH paper #AMUN #green #recycle
- So as to speak with so many unnecessary clauses. Although. As it were. Uhhh. Ummm. #AMUN
- No homework allowed in Chicago! #AMUN
- Listening to Ambassador Ibrahim Dabbashi of Libya at Model UN conference #AMUN
- Watching a delegate pout as they listen to speeches they don't want to #AMUN
- I feel like all of these people are actually going to make a difference some day. #AMUN

When using social media, Representatives should keep in mind that AMUN requires Representatives to maintain diplomatic courtesy throughout the Conference, which includes interactions via social media.

We will be reading this hashtag throughout the rest of the conference, so make sure to tweet! #AMUN

GA2 MEETS THE

Reporter for GA3 and CPD

Representatives from the Sec-

ond Committee gathered at a press

conference Sunday evening to dis-

cuss the resolution the Committee passed. This resolution addressed

immediate needs as well as long-

term needs regarding the topic of Agriculture Development and

By Emily Moorhead

**PRESS** 

### **ESCAP** FOCUSES ON REPORT WRITING

### Grace Pastoor

### Reporter for GA Plenary & ESCAP

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific has spent the day splitting into informal subgroups to focus on report writing. Each group is writing a report about an aspect of energy security and sustainable development.

The different subgroups will focus on different aspects of the overall topic, such as available and alternative energy forms, increasing and maintaining infrastructure, and resource sharing.

Representative Samantha Burt of Turkey, who sits on the commission, is working in a subgroup which is writing a report on alternative energy sources. Turkey hopes to include an emphasis on hydroelectric power. had a slow start but is confident things will pick up. "There was a lot of argument regarding how to approach the topic but today we've made more progress as far as report writing goes," she said.

Representative Burt said ESCAP

ESCAP plans to submit its reports to the Economic and Social Council in order to guide its resolutions.

port the actions of Syria again.

### ISRAEL AND SYRIA'S FAILED PEACE RESOLUTION

#### By Hannah Bates Reporter for GA4

At the beginning of the AMUN conference, Syria began work on a conflict Resolution 4th/I/6, involving the eventual transfer of the Golan Heights region back to Syria. At first, Representatives from Israel supported the Resolution. "If you were given the Golan Heights on a silver platter, you would take it."

Abufilat. The resolution recommended dialogue between Member States rather than forcing the transfer of the territory. Many representatives had a great deal of concern with the resolution. After a day-and-a-half of work, representatives of Israel suddenly took away their support of the resolution, saying that they cannot sup-

said Syrian Representative Abdul

With strong opposition from multiple representatives, peace negotiations remained at a standstill. Such divisiveness in a committee makes it hard for draft proposals to be passed. As close as they had come to achieving a peaceful solution to the issue of the Syrian Golan through resolution, it was ultimately unsuccessful.

### PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENTS: DIET RESOLUTIONS

#### By Tory Martinez Reporter for HSC90

As every representative is well aware, resolutions are the most important part of the Conference for many simulations. They are also the most frustrating and timeconsuming part of these simulations. For the Security Councils,

discussion of possible solutions. This is not a definitive response, as it does not call for action or implement policy. It is merely an effective middle step to creating a concrete solution to these issues.

The Representatives attributed their resolution's success to its ability to respect the sovereignty of each nation while achieving realistic goals. They also said the resolution increases the effectiveness of any ruling that follows.

### Personal Ads:

Food Security.

Are there any other Phi Mu sisters at AMUN? Four sisters from Westminster College PA are looking to meet up with some ladies who value love, honor, truth. Stop by the IPD if you are a classy Phi Mu lady!

there is another, faster way to reach consensus. Presidential statements are a way for the Security Council and Historical Security Councils to inform the international community that they are aware of an issue and are engaged in active

did not speak much, Ukraine spoke on its behalf, fielding a variety of questions. Representatives

#### BERLIN DEMANDS THE ATTENTION OF HSC 1948 By Tory Martinez the German state. Much like

### Reporter for HSC90

Palestine proved to be a tough topic to reach consensus on, and as a result the Council came to a decision to move to the topic of Berlin and the structure of

violence in Palestine, this issue looks to be complicated.

The Councils moved into debate focused on the Soviet blockade of goods and industrialization within Germany. Although the USSR

spoke freely and covered multiple aspects of this topic quickly. Monday, 19 November 2012 Morning Edition - Page 02 Volume XXIII Issue 04

### Security Council & ICJ Updates

CONTEMPORARY SECURITY COUNCIL

The Security Council passed resolution SC/3 with a vote of 13 in favor, none opposed and two abstentions. The resolution addressed the rebel groups in the Democratic Republic of the Congo by attempting to limit aid the groups receive from external

#### HISTORICAL SECURITY COUNCIL '48

 $2^{
m Representatives}$  in the Historical Security Council of 1948 reached their limits on the issue of violence in Palestine. During one suspension of the meeting, representatives were yelling at one another from across the room. Soon after, the Council moved to the topic of

#### HISTORICAL SECURITY COUNCIL '90

3 Two press conferences were held Sunday night regarding South Africa's recent invasion of the sovereign state of Namibia. This invasion was in response to Cuba's continued occupation and support of Angola.

### INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

4 On Sunday evening the ICJ not only released opinions in the Malaysia/Singapore case, with nine votes in favor of Malaysia and seven in favor of Singapore. The ICJ also heard the case of Democratic Republic of the Congo v. Republic of Uganda, which involved unwanted military occupation of the DRC by Uganda.

### Personal Ads:

Keep up the good reporting IPD.

Coffee is so good I can't stand it My head swims and my back teeth swim that is how good it is.

### GA PLEN GOES BACK & FORTH OVER RESOLUTIONS

Grace Pastoor

Reporter for GA Plenary & ESCAP

The General Assembly Concurrent Plenary has submitted draft resolutions GA Plen/I/1 and GA Plen/I/2 and has discussed changes necessary for each draft. After some debate, authors of similar resolutions are working together to combine their drafts into one.

There was a lot of back and

forth over whether some resolutions should be combined," said Representative Lyndon Novotny of Germany." Now we have five potential resolutions, and I think by the end of this evening we should have one passed.'

Draft resolution GA Plen/I/1 addresses the cluster approach, the categorization of the nations into 11 bodies. Each of the bodies would have a designated response team lead by a regional actor.

Draft resolution GA Plen/I/ 2 proposes the development of preventative measures such as vaccination and health screening programs to ensure the safety of aid workers and promote regional early warning systems, in an effort to decrease displacement caused by natural disasters.

### WHY CAN'T WE BE FRIENDS: DUELING HSC PRESS CONFERENCES

By Tory Martinez

Reporter for HSC90

Two concurrent press conferences Sunday night helped shed light and spark debate about the issue of Cuban troops occupying Angola and South Africa's subsequent invasion of Namibia in response.

Representatives from Cuba led the first conference, and they took this opportunity to announce that since South Africa had broken the New York accords with their invasion of Namibia, Cuba was no longer compelled to stay above the 13th parallel and have since moved troops to the Angolan border. The representatives maintained that this is merely a precautionary measure and that they are not actively seek-



Cuba addressed the press.

ing war; however, they were also quick to suggest strict sanctions on South Africa, most notably the revocation of all oil and arms sales from the global community.

for South Africa were alluded to, however, coming from both the OAU and the global community.

#### Members of the Organization for African Unity (OAU) held the second conference. Cote d' Ivoire, Ethiopia, and Zaire all strongly condemned the actions of South Africa as imperialist, and since the

OAU opposes colonialism in all forms, South Africa was blacklisted from the Council. Representatives also spoke to a joint solution in which both sides withdraw troops from the contested parallel and place sanctions on both nations in order to ensure that this joint solution is a success. Harsher sanctions

### THE VOICE OF AMUN

By Benjamin Theobald Reporter for Security Council

For those who come and participate at AMUN there are many reasons why they chose to do so.

Representative Nino Monea of the Russian Federation is in his third year at AMUN. Monea said that AMUN is a way to improve a variety of skills that include speaking, technical writing, and research. "I really think it teaches you about the international system better than any class possibly can," Monea said."It's one thing to read how the UN works; it's a whole another thing to experience it firsthand, to see how resolutions are written and how different countries interact." Monea has a family connection to international affairs.

"My uncle works at American Defense University doing research on the Middle East," Monea said. "He has actually done this work on sanctions and the Arab Spring."

Representative Samantha Taylor of Yemen has been doing Model UN for eight years. This year's conference will be Taylor's last AMUN Conference as a representative.

Throughout her life, Taylor has attended nearly 40 conferences.

"I really enjoy meeting people and discussing current issues," Taylor said. "I've always been fascinated by foreign affairs. I believe in the United Nations; it's for an idealistic community and I understand that's not everyone's choice."

Taylor said that even though the debates in AMUN are not for real, she can't help but get caught up in the discussions.

"You have clubs like speech team and debate team, but when you're doing the type of simulation you do like in Security Council you really do have to think on your feet for diplomacy and who you want to align with," Taylor said. "I think that makes it so much more interesting."

### TECH & AMUN

By Emily Moorhead Reporter for GA3 and CPD Every representative at

representative at the AMUN Conference has been impacted by technology, whether they realize that or not. We give speech-es, write resolutions and do research at Home Government. Dr. Daniel Wright, AMUN Director of Technology, is in charge of making sure that all these processes run smooth-ly. He and three other full-time technicians ensure that all technology is functioning correctly by setting up networks, writing programs and updating hardware. "One important thing we do is track documents as they move throughout the system," said Wright. "If a representative comes in and says that they have lost their file or it has been corrupted, that is okay, we can find it in the system and fix the issue."

Wright wrote the current Delegate Services (DS) coding six or seven years ago. They still use this coding today, but edit it as needed. The computers and other technology are replaced on a rotating basis.

Although Wright and his department efficiently maintain the

equipment and software, problems do occasionally arise. On Mon-day of the 2011 AMUN Conference, the server that controls DS crashed due to an error within the hard drive. Resolution processing had to shut down while Wright and his crew re-built the hard drive. They resolved this disaster in under 45 minutes. Wright expressed that he was very proud of how quickly and efficiently his department was able to settle the problem.

The AMUN conference may see some exciting developments in a few short years. As it stands, representatives cannot connect their laptops in any way to streamline the process of transporting documents. "The process of moving a document from my laptop to an administrative computer is really complicated and time consuming," said Repre-sentative Teresa Whetstone of The United Kingdom. "I cannot wait until this process can be automated because it will make many people's jobs so much easier." With some work on the DS system, this interaction will be automated and

integrated, according to Wright.

AMUN has come a long way from Wright's first year in 1997.

Back then, the networks could only handle a command-line word processor called WordPerfect. In future years, Wright hopes that AMUN can purchase all-in-one iMacs because of their ease of use and storage.

### Focus Shifts to Passing Resolutions and Monitoring Global Conflicts



GA Second Committee GA2 votes on draft resolutions early on Monday morning.

Excessive amounts of coffee for whomever returns the

minion to DS Prod - No Questions asked

There was once a man, who called himself Borat,

he was a Stan,

of the esteemed land of Kazakh.

He toiled, he triumphed;

he fought, he flew; in Panama he landed,

and a plan, he did brew.

"A man, a plan, a canal:

Panama"

Huge shout out to Professor

Megwards, we could never have gotten here without our

cool aunt.

Personal Ads:



**Security Council** The Security Council remains focused on escalating crises.



HSC 1948 Focused and alert the members of

the HSC 48 are hard at work.



**ICJ** 

Debate gets intense in deliberations in the International Court of Justice.

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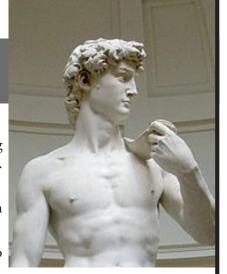
### WOULDN'T YOU LIKE TO BE A CLASSIC TOO?

It's sad that Michelangelo only lived between 1475-1564 because the only thing that could make David any classier is if he was wearing a fabulous AMUN t-shirt. I think he looks sad.

Choose from the internationally renowned "Got Peace?" (diplomats actually own some) or the new "Knotted Gun" shirt (less famous, yet equally amazing).

Men and women's sizes are available, but quantities are limited so hurry to Conference Services before supplies run out.

Conference Services also has a wide range of other AMUN memorabilia like jump drives, charters, notepads, lapel pins, mugs and water bottles. Additionally, Conference Services can provide maps or locations of amazing restaurants.



## DON'T BE A SHIRTLESS BUM. BE A BUM WITH AN AWESOME SHIRT. SERIOUSLY, THAT'S BETTER...

Kazakhstan Gen Plen, with the tom's, call me