



Position Paper Guidelines and Expectations

- 1. Formatting-** Position papers should be typed in 12-point standard font (i.e. Times New Roman) and double-spaced. Though we will not be enforcing a hard page-limit*, we encourage delegates to write a maximum of two pages per topic, or a maximum of two pages total in Crisis committees. Given the lenient enforcement of page-limits, please also note that writing more does not automatically translate to a stronger paper. Some of the best papers are those that are both succinct and comprehensive. Papers should include delegates' name, school, and country/position in the header.
- 2. Awards** - Delegates will be ineligible for awards if they do not turn in a position paper. However, chairs will not weigh position papers strongly when determining awards. That is to say, position papers are necessary but insufficient for awards.
- 3. Citations** - Outside information must be cited using footnotes or a works cited attached to the end of the paper. Plagiarism is not allowed, and will be a disqualifying offense.
- 4. Submissions** - Position papers must be submitted in hard copy to the chair at the start of the first committee session. Papers submitted after this time without a valid excuse will be deemed late and may not be accepted.
- 5. Feedback** - To the extent that it is possible, delegates will receive substantive edits on their position papers from either their chair or vice chair by the end of the last committee session.

If your Chair specified a different Position Paper policy in their Background Guide/Committee Page, please abide by that policy instead.