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SHASMUN XII HANDBOOK

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Honorable Student Officers, Delegates, Directors, and Guests,

Welcome to the Twelfth Annual Edition of Shanghai American School Pudong Model United Nations! SHASMUN XII will be held in person from November 22nd to November 24th. This year's theme, 'The Crystal Globe,' symbolizes the importance of foresight in addressing global challenges. It reflects the stark realities of our interconnected world and how the consequences of past actions unfold in cyclical patterns. At SHASMUN XII, delegates will have the opportunity to discuss and shape the future world we aspire to see reflected in the crystal globe.

The first SHASMUN was held in 2012 with the theme of Introducing Happiness, with over 160 delegates from schools in Shanghai attending. SHASMUN II – The Sun, The Moon, and the Truth – welcomed schools from Hong Kong and Taipei. SHASMUN III – Talkin' 'Bout My Generation – saw participation from schools ranging from Beijing to India, and introduced the ECOSOC committee. SHASMUN IV – The Ethics of Progress – introduced the General Assembly 3 Committee, and welcomed over 300 delegates. SHASMUN V – Won't Get Fooled Again and SHASMUN VI – The Slanted Mirror – introduced the Security Council 2. SHASMUN VII – Hear the Echo Chamber – added the Historical Security Council. SHASMUN VIII – The Complacency Crisis – foresaw debate in a veto-less Security Council 2. Due to COVID-19, SHASMUN IX – The Butterfly Effect– decided to go '-ito', catering to SAS delegates in an in-house conference, and SHASMUN X – The Sound Barrier – hosted delegates from all over the world online. SHASMUN XI– The Footnote of History– reopened the doors for in-person conferences.

Following the success of SHASMUN XI, we are thrilled to announce that SHASMUN XII will be held in person, welcoming schools from across mainland China. We are looking forward in hosting the most engaging SHASMUN yet! Our secretariat team will dedicate our time and effort in order to deliver an exceptional conference experience for you all.

SHASMUN XII

Sincerely,

The SHASMUN XII Secretariat Team

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The Crystal Globe

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The Crystal Globe

In today's complex world, the crystal globe symbolizes the imperative of foresight in confronting global challenges. It serves as a stark reminder of our planet's fragility and underscores the consequences of neglecting what matters most. Throughout history, leaders and decision-makers have sought insights akin to those a crystal ball provides. Whether shaping military strategies or conducting diplomatic negotiations, foresight has consistently shaped the outcomes of pivotal events. Unlike the crystal ball, often associated with mystical revelations, the theme of this conference, crystal globe, hopes to reflect the stark realities of our interconnected world. It reveals the reverberations of past actions unfolding in cyclical patterns, intricately woven into a global web of consequences. Hence, rather than passively scrying, let us heed the footnotes of history and the complexities of the status quo to forge a future world we would want to see projected in our crystal globe. In SHASMUN XII, let us embrace the symbolism of the crystal globe to navigate complex global challenges with clarity, unity, and a commitment to a sustainable and inclusive future.

Gina Lin

Secretary-General, SHASMUN XII

Friday, November 22nd

Time	Event
13:45	Sign In @Cafeteria
14:45	Opening Ceremony
15:30	Committees in Session
15:30-18:00	Opening Speeches/Lobbying
18:00	Day 1 Ends

Saturday, November 23rd

Time	Event
8:00-9:30	Lobbying/Approval Panel/Debate
9:30-11:15	Debate
11:15-12:15	Lunch/Recreational Activities
12:15-17:30	Debate (14:00- Break 1, 16:00- Break 2)
17:30	Day 2 Ends (Explore Shanghai-Optional)

Sunday, November 24th

Time	Event
8:00-11:00	Debate (9:30 Break)
11:00-12:00	Lunch
12:00-14:00	Debate
14:00-15:00	Closing Ceremony @PAC
15:00	Conference Ends

GA1

Location: P304 Band Room

Floor: 3

GA2

Location: Elementary School Cafeteria

Floor: 1

UNCSW

Location: L303 Classroom

Floor: 3

Environment Committee

Location: Innovation Institute (Open Classroom)

Floor: 3

HRC

Location: LLH

Floor: 1

ECOSOC

Location: MS/HS Library

Floor: 1

HSC

Location: H303 Classroom

Floor: 3

SC

Location: Common Area Offices (H105B)

Floor: 1

IMF

Location: P301 Band/Orchestra Room

Floor: 2

Crisis

Location: H305 Classroom

Backroom Location:

Floor: 3

Directors Lounge

Location: H205, H206 (Quiet work room)

Floor: 2

Approval Panel

Location: Second Floor Cafeteria

Floor: 2

Secretariat Office

Location: H201

Floor: 2

Friday, November 22

- *Snack Provided upon sign in*

Saturday, November 23

- *Snack: School Provided*
- *Lunch: School Provided*
- *Dinner: Not Provided; Self arranged at Bund*

Sunday, November 24

- *Snack: School Provided*
- *Lunch: School Provided*

Location for School Lunch/Dinner: MS/HS Cafeteria

General Assembly 1

- *Addressing the safety of journalists and the issue of impunity*
- *Addressing the biodiversity crisis*
- *Addressing the efficiency of country loans*

General Assembly 2

- *Tackling the global digital divide*
- *Reducing workplace exploitation of foreign migrants in the U.A.E*
- *Addressing fossil fuel consumption and green/renewable energy*

Economic and Social Council

- *Addressing the cost-of-living crisis in metropolitan cities*
- *Resolving the issue of student debt*
- *Combatting the hyperinflation in Turkey*

Environmental Council

- *Addressing the issue of oil drilling in the Middle East while considering the COP28 climate summit*
- *Addressing the impact of space junk on outer space exploration and development*
- *Addressing the issue of balancing the environmental harms and economic reliance of tourism in small island developing nations*

Human Rights Council

- *Addressing the issue of the human rights of Kurdish people in Turkey*
- *Addressing the issue of sweatshops in Southeast Asian nations such as Cambodia*
- *Counteracting the criminalization of LGBTQ+ rights*

Security Council

- *Addressing the situation in Haiti*
- *Addressing the situation in Western Sahara*

Historical Security Council

- *Addressing the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962*
- *Addressing the Bosnian war*
- *Addressing the Prague Spring*

UNCSW

- *Eliminating maternal mortality and morbidity*
- *Addressing the discrepancies within the gender wage gap*
- *Combating female genital mutilation worldwide*

Crisis

- *Resolving the July Crisis (1914)*

IMF

- *Measures to prevent AI development from overtaking the service sector*
- *Addressing the challenges of digital currencies*
- *Resolving Greece's debt crisis*

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Dress Code

All delegates are expected to attend SHASMUN XII in formal attire. For formality, delegates should wear suit pants/dress, formal dress shirts, blazers, ties (for those identifying as male), and dark shoes. Costumes and props are not allowed; however, dress based on a person's own identity/culture is respected.

Expectations

- *Finish a resolution with at least 3 preambles and 5 operative clauses*
- *Understand THIMUN procedures*
- *Familiarize yourself with all committee topics by reading the chair reports and checking the news*
- *Arrive 5 minutes before the meeting starts*
- *Speak in third person and refrain from using personal pronouns*
- *Refrain from holding side conversations and using any form of electronic communication during debate time*
- *Please respect our host country, China, when debating*
- *Actively participate in the conference and have fun!*

Disciplinary Strike System

Delegates are expected to abide by conference rules, procedure, and expectations, as well as respect SHASMUN's values of respectful collaborative diplomacy. Any breach of these will, at the discretion of the committee chairs, warrant:

- Strike 1: Chair warning
- Strike 2: Email directors
- Strike 3: Ineligible to participate in conference nor receive participation certificates

General Guidelines

After the Opening Ceremony, the conference begins with opening speeches. Delegates are expected to show up with a one minute opening speech prepared (three minutes for delegates in the Security Council and Historical Security Council), and chairs will call upon delegates in alphabetical order to present those speeches.

This is followed by lobbying and merging time. Delegates who wrote resolutions on the same topic with similar stances form "blocs" to create final resolutions for submission to the committee for later debate.

After all resolutions are created, they are sent to the approval panel. After approval, formal debate begins. Chairs moderate the process, and delegates move through each resolution for debating, amending, and voting.

Debate Process

1. Opening speeches: Delegates give speeches to introduce their position and proposals on topics
 2. Lobbying: Delegates of similar positions and prepared resolutions get into blocs and merge their resolutions
 3. Approval panel
 - a. Opens only on Saturday
 - b. Go to second floor cafeteria
 4. Main submitter speech: Main-submitter of resolutions gives a 3-minute speech, marking the start of debating on one resolution as a whole
 5. Debate
 - a. For/Against speeches: Speeches encouraging delegates to vote fore/against resolutions as a whole
 - b. Amendments: Modifications of resolution by delegates, having its own debating and voting procedures
 - c. (Un)moderated caucuses: brief break times for speech preparations that might be entertained by chairs if there are no speech or amendments ready by any delegates at the time
 6. Voting procedure: Final voting on resolutions as a whole
- Please see below for further information on specific processes.

Motions

Description

Motions propose action or changes within a committee. Whether it's a motion to extend debate time or revote on a resolution, motions purpose as catalysts for discussion and action. They can be called out any time during debate, but not when someone else is speaking.

Process

1. Delegate raises placard
2. Chair calls on the delegate to state their point.
3. Delegate says: "motion to__"
4. Chair says: "There has been a motion to__on the floor. Are there any seconds? Are there any objections?"
5. Delegates can second or object the motion. If the delegate objects, they should say their reason for objecting.
6. Chair says: "Seeing as there are/no objections, this motion will be entertained/not entertained."
7. The motion proceeds/not proceeds.

Types of Motions

Motion to move to previous question

This motion is made when delegates believe that sufficient debate and discussion have taken place on the current topic and that it is time to end the debate and move to the next procedure. This includes moving directly to voting procedures on an amendment or resolution.

Chair: There has been a motion to move to the previous question. Are there any seconds? Are there any objections?

Motion to divide the house

This motion is made when there are a large number of abstentions in voting. It asks for a revote and should be entertained at the chair's discretion and not entertained if it will take up significant time without any results.

Chair: There has been a motion to divide the house. Before we proceed, the chair would like to caution the house, as such motion calls for a revote of the current item on the agenda due to the large number of abstentions. With that being said, are there any seconds? Are there any objections?

Motion to extend debate time

This motion is made when delegates have more points to speak about the current topic being discussed when the chair closes debate time. Delegates should state "Motion to extend debate time by_speakers. " The chair will not entertain this motion if there are time constraints.

Chair: There has been a motion to extend debate time by_speakers. Are there any seconds? Any objections?

Motion to extend Points of information

This motion should be made once all points of information to the current speaker have been addressed, and before the chair asks the delegate to yield the floor. It should be stated as: "Motion to extend points of information by_"

Chair: There has been a motion to extend points of information by_. [To the current speaker] Is the delegate open to any further points of information?

Points of Information

Description

After a speaker finishes their speech, delegates have the opportunity to raise points of information (POIs). POIs are concise questions or statements that delegates use to seek clarification, request further elaboration, or challenge the speaker's arguments.

Process

1. Chair: [To speaker after they finish their speech] Thank you delegate, is the delegate open to any points of information?
2. Delegate opens themselves to__number or any and all points of information
3. Chair: The delegate has opened themselves to_points of information, are there any points on the floor at this time?
4. Delegates who have points of information raise their placards high.
5. Chair calls the delegates in the order in which they will ask their questions.

Amendments

Process

1. Delegate submits an amendment
 - a. The submitter's country name is written on the amendment
 - b. Indicate if the amendment is to: Add, Strike, Amend
 - i. In SHASMUN, striking a resolution or clause is highly discouraged. As we hope to foster a constructive and positive learning environment, please try your best to add or modify instead of strike.
 - c. Choose only one clause to Add, Strike, Amend
 - d. Submit to the Chair for approval
2. Delegate raises placard and states: "This delegate believes s/he has submitted an amendment."
3. The Chair entertains the amendment
4. The Chair presents it to the committee, reads it out, and sets debate time in favor and against the amendment
5. Submitter speaks for the amendment
6. Delegates can speak against the amendment or submit an amendment to the second degree
7. Voting is commenced on the amendment or on an amendment to the second degree; delegates can vote for, against, or abstain.

Extra Resources

For specific THIMUN procedure: https://thehague.thimun.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/Rules_of_Procedure_revised.pdf

For Security Council procedure: <https://thehague.thimun.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/The-Security-Council-guidelines-May-2014.pdf>

For Crisis Committee procedure: <https://bestdelegate.com/everything-you-need-to-know-about-crisis-committees/>

Basic Guidelines for New Delegates: https://thehague.thimun.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/THIMUN_2014_Basic_Guideline.pdf

Sample

(1) Always start by addressing the chairs and delegates.

(2) First 15-20 seconds: a brief overview of your topic and its significance.

(3) Next 30 or more seconds: the three strongest/most unique solutions from your resolution. This is how you let others in your committee know what your stance is.

(4) Last 10 seconds: A final statement to conclude your speech. This usually emphasizes the importance of your topic, and can be a quote or impact.

(5) Always end by saying “thank you,” even in debate speeches after this.

(1) HONORABLE CHAIRS and FELLOW DELEGATES,

(2) The Korean Peninsula contains the most hostile nuclear threat facing the world, repeated violations of basic human rights by state governments, and infamously high post-war tensions. Such issues do not just concern Korean citizens, but the security of the global community. Thus, the United States finds it imperative to facilitate peace in the Korean Peninsula, and proposes the following solutions:

(3) First, the delegate urges a formal end to the Korean War, including the revision of historical agreements and the destruction of all dormant post-war aggressions.

Second, the US emphasizes the importance of complete denuclearization, beginning with aggressive nuclear threat, and moving to the removal of defensive munitions.

Third, this delegate recommends open condemnation of human rights abuses in the Korean Peninsula, seeing these as results of high tensions and government corruption.

(4) Delegates, the Korean War was frozen over 60 years ago. It is about time for the UN to put an end to these tensions. The delegate of the United States hopes for a fruitful debate.

(5) Thank you.

Approval Panel (Used with permission of BEIMUN)

The Resolution: Step-by-Step

Heading

Forum: General Assembly (1st Committee)
 Question of: Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space
 Submitted by: Switzerland

Salutation

The General Assembly,

Preamble

The first word in each Clause is italicized.
 Each Clause ends with a comma.

Recognising the need to prevent an arms race in Outer Space, to avert possible conflicts arising from space warfare,

Wishing to prevent Outer Space from being an arena of conflict,

Firmly convinced the deployment of space weapons will destroy balance and stability, thus endangering international peace and security,

Operative Section

Each Clause is identified with an Arabic numeral.

The first word in each Clause is underlined.

Each Clause ends with a semi-colon.

Each Sub-clause is identified with a Roman letter.

The first Sub-clause is preceded by a colon.

Sub-clauses are separated by commas.

The last Sub-clause ends with a semi-colon.

Each Sub-sub-clause is identified with a Roman numeral.

Punctuation rules for Sub-sub-clauses are the same as for Sub-clauses.

The final Clause ends with a period.

1. Encourages all states to sincerely consider their approaches of disarmament to understand and accommodate each other's security concerns and threat perceptions in the context of outer space;
2. Suggests that military presence in Outer Space is to be regulated by a Regulatory Committee of Space Militarization (RCSM) formed by representatives of various national space agencies which are appointed by the conference of disarmament by:
 - a. earth based surveillance on space objects with the use of heat sensors and chemical detectors,
 - b. space based surveillance missions to monitor orbits of space objects;
3. Calls Upon the Conference of Disarmament to draw up an additional agreement (in addition to the existing Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, including the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies) which aims to further prevent an arms race in Outer Space by:
 - a. disallowing states to test, deploy and use any form of weapons in the Earth's orbit, celestial bodies, and Outer Space,
 - b. encouraging states to promote the peaceful uses of Outer Space by avoiding incidents and refraining from dangerous military practices in Space, including but not limited to:
 - i. simulated attacks on outer space objects,
 - ii. engaging in maneuvers that increase the risk of collision,
 - iii. nuclear weapons and devices to be deployed into space,
 - c. calls upon all nations to disavow the launching of any form of weaponry deployed from outer space on other nations or other nation's property;
4. Proposes referral of any party found to have violated the conditions of existing treaties and agreements on this issue to the Security Council.

Format:

- Times New Roman, Size 12
- Heading in bolded capital letters: FORUM:, QUESTION OF:, SUBMITTED BY
- The name of the Forum, typed in capital letters

Pre-ambulatory Clauses:

- A comma separates each clause.
- All clauses begin with a pre-ambulatory verb or adjective that is italicized.
- All clauses state facts that outline the problem at hand and express urgency.

Operative Clauses:

- All clauses suggest a way to resolve the issue, instead of stating a fact
- Numbered with Arabic numerals (e.g, "1.", "2.", "3."...)
- Begins with an Operative Verb that is underlined (see next page)
- A colon precedes the first Sub-clause or the first sub-sub-clause
- Sub-clause is identified with a lower case letter (e.g, "a)", "b)". (c)"...)
- Sub-sub-clause is identified with a lower case roman numeral (e.g, "i)", "ii)". (iii)"...)
- No punctuations between sub clauses and sub-sub-clauses
- Each operative clause ends with a semi-colon
- The final operative clause ends with a period.
- Include a total of at least 3 operative clauses

Pre-ambulatory Phrases:

Affirming	Expecting	Having studied
Alarmed by	Expressing its appreciation	Keeping in mind
Approving	Expressing its satisfaction	Noting with regret
Aware of	Fulfilling	Noting with deep concern
Bearing in mind	Fully alarmed	Noting with satisfaction
Believing	Fully aware	Noting further
Confident	Fully believing	Noting with approval
Contemplating	Further deploring	Observing
Convinced	Further recalling	Reaffirming
Declaring	Guided by	Realizing
Deeply concerned	Having adopted	Recalling
Deeply conscious	Having considered	Recognizing
Deeply convinced	Having considered further	Referring
Deeply disturbed	Having devoted attention	Seeking
Deeply regretting	Having examined	Taking into account
Desiring	Having heard	Taking into consideration
Emphasizing	Having received	Taking note
		Viewing with appreciation
		Welcoming

Operative Phrases:

Accepts	Encourages	Further recommends
Affirms	Endorses	Further requests
Approves	Expresses its hope	Further resolves
Authorizes	Further invites	Has resolved
Calls	Deplores	Notes
Calls upon	Designates	Proclaims
Condemns (<i>only SC</i>)	Draws the attention	Reaffirms
Confirms	Emphasizes	Recommends
Congratulates	Encourages	Regrets
Considers	Endorses	Reminds
Declares accordingly	Expresses its hope	Requests
Deplores	Further invites	Solemnly affirms
Designates	Further proclaims	Strongly Condemns (<i>only SC</i>)
Draws the attention	Further reminds	Supports
Emphasizes		Takes note of
		Transmits
		Trusts

Bund Address: Zhongshan Rd (E-1), Waitan, Huang Pu Qu

* Buses will only be provided for schools outside of Shanghai. Delegates must take their stuff and go directly to the buses at the front of school for a 5:45pm departure.

Recommended Bund Area Activities:

1. Explore shops on Nanjing Road Pedestrian Street
2. Visit the Shanghai Tower: China's tallest building
 - a. Location: 501 Yincheng Rd (M), Lujiazui
3. Stroll along the Bund promenade

Other Attractions:

- Custom House-137 Jiujiang Rd, Huang Pu Qu
- Signal Tower-6FMR+8RX, Waitan, Huang Pu Qu
- Sightseeing Tunnel-349 Zhongshan Rd (E-1), Waitan, Huang Pu Qu
- Shanghai Museum-201 Renmin Ave, People's Square, Huang Pu Qu
- Fairmont Peace Hotel-20 Nanjing Road East

Recommended Restaurants:

- Chilis -17 Yan'An Dong Lu, Huangpu
- Shanghai Tavern-199 East Nanjing Road, Huangpu
- Restaurants on Nanjing Road





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