

How to prepare...

Once you know what country you will be representing in which committee, it is important for you to get information about both. To have interesting and authentic debates it is necessary that you stick to your countries wishes, political opinions and so on as close as possible.

The following points are a guideline to achieve this:

Research on your country:

- Geography (Location? Climate? Coasts, mountains, lakes,...?)
- Economy (what gets imported, what gets exported? Natural resources?)
- political situation (what kind of government?)
- social situation (what are the living conditions like? Diseases, Civil war or other conflicts taking place?)
- foreign relations (relation to other countries?)

Research on the topics your Committee will be dealing with:

- What is the problem?
- Is it affecting your country? In what way?
- What is causing the conflict?
- What sanctions have already been taken? Did they help?
- Are there any new developments regarding the issue that should be considered?
- What has been done already and what has been effective/ should be continued?

While researching: Try to find as many different sources as possible! Wikipedia's not all ;)

Next you choose one of your Committees topics and write a resolution for it. That means a solution which is divided into two parts. The first part describes the problem, the second part names actions that shall be taken in order to fight the problem. Your first resolution does not have to be perfect, just a basic ground to start from. When you sit together with your Committee during lobbying time, you have the opportunity to either merge your resolutions with others who might have written a resolution to the same topic; for example entering phrases you have not thought of yet.

A sample resolution on the problem of pirate fishing:

Sample-Resolution

COMMITTEE: GA3
QUESTION OF: Pirate Fishing
SUBMITTED BY: Sierra Leone
CO-SUBMITTERS: Ghana, Burma, United Kingdom, China,
Burundi, France, Canada

The country who created the basic resolution and will present it to the committee

THE THIRD COMMITTEE OF THE GA:
ENVIRONMENTAL, HUMANITARIAN AND
HEALTH ISSUES

Once you have begun with lobbying time, you try to find co-submitters for your resolution. Together you can edit the resolution, in the end you will need at least x co-submitters to enable the presentation of your resolution in the committee. Besides that you can also co-submit other resolutions if you think they are in the interest of your country.

Keeping in mind that pirate fishing is an illegal activity which should be tackled completely,

Deeply concerned about the pirate fishermen netting in millions of dollars from coastal communities which rely on fishery for both export and nutrition,

Alarmed by the fact that current regulations taken by The International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) is weak in governing tuna fisheries and the widespread occurrence of illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing activities in the ICCAT Convention Area,

Aware of the fact that not only coastal communities are affected but also marine life such as species of fish and birdlife will become extinct caused by wrong techniques used for fishing, bycatch and overfishing,

1. Hopes that present organizations such as Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMOs) can be fundamentally reformed so that they can effectively implement the ecosystem approach by means of:
 - a. Having the authority to register all boats sailing in seas,
 - b. Compensation for patrol boats and other tools such as nets and hooks,
 - c. Setting up a list of endangered species to prevent them from extinction,
 - d. Producing quotas on fishery capacity so overfishing is prevented
2. Calls upon the registration of vessels fishing in seas by the countries to the supervising body so unregistered boats do not have the ability to fish before their identification and destination is noted;
3. Calls upon the other delegates to help with combating pirate fishing by aiding L(E)DCs in enforcing laws concerning pirate fishing;
4. Proposes to put high penalties on selling one's flag to pirate fishermen, to make it less attractive for countries to do so.

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The following words are a good help to create the resolution. The first part of the resolution, describing the problem, could begin with these **pre-ambulatory phrases**. The second part, which mentions the actions against the problem, may begin with the **operative phrases**.

Pre-Ambulatory Phrases

Acknowledging
Affirming
Alarmed by
Approving
Aware of
Bearing in mind
Believing
Confident
Congratulating
Conscious
Contemplating
Convinced
Declaring
Deeply concerned
Deeply conscious
Deeply convinced
Deeply disturbed
Deeply regretting
Desiring
Emphasizing
Expecting
Expressing its appreciation
Expressing its concern
Expressing its satisfaction
Fully alarmed
Fully aware
Fully believing
Further recalling
Guided by
Having adopted
Having considered
Having devoted attention
Having examined
Having heard
Having received
Having studied
Keeping in mind
Noting
Noting further
Noting with appreciation
Noting with approval
Noting with deep concern

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Noting with regret
Noting with satisfaction
Observing
Pointing out
Reaffirming
Realizing
Recalling
Recognizing
Referring
Reminding
Seeking
Stressing
Taking into account
Taking into consideration
Taking note
Viewing with appreciation
Welcoming

Operative Phrases

Affirms
Approves
Asks
Authorizes
Calls for
Calls upon
Confirms
Congratulates
Emphasizes
Encourages
Endorses
Expresses its appreciation
Expresses its hope
Further invites
Further proclaims
Further recommends
Further requests
Further resolves
Hopes
Insists
Invites
Proclaims
Proposes
Reaffirms
Recommends
Regrets
Requests
Resolves
Seeks

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Stresses
Strongly affirms
Strongly urges
Suggests
Supports
Trusts
Urges