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POSITION PAPER GUIDELINES

Introduction:

A position paper for the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in Model United Nations (MUN) is a formal document that outlines your country's stance on the topics being discussed. It should be concise, well-researched, and diplomatic. Below is a structured guideline to help you draft an effective position paper for UNGA in MUN.

Guideline for a Position Paper in MUN

1. Header (Basic Information)

At the top of your position paper, include:

Committee: United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)

Country: Russian Federation

Topic: [Insert topic name]

2. Introduction (Brief Overview of the Issue)

Provide a brief summary of the topic.

Mention why the issue is important on the global stage.

Include relevant UN actions (past resolutions, conventions, reports).

Keep it objective and based on facts.

Example:

"The issue of cybersecurity threats has become a pressing concern in an increasingly digital world. The UN has addressed this through resolutions such as A/RES/73/27 on developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security. However, challenges persist, requiring coordinated international responses.

3. Country's Position and Policy

Outline Russia's stance on the issue.

Reference past policies, statements, or actions taken by Russia on the matter.

Mention Russia's national interests related to the topic.

Highlight alliances or blocs that share a similar position.

Example:

"The Russian Federation strongly supports the sovereignty of states in cyberspace and opposes any form of cyber intervention under the guise of security. Russia has been an advocate for a UN-led international cybersecurity framework, proposing a 'cyber non-aggression pact' to prevent digital warfare."

4. Proposed Solutions and Recommendations

Present realistic and actionable solutions aligned with Russia's foreign policy.

Mention existing UN mechanisms that should be strengthened or reformed.

Suggest bilateral/multilateral cooperation strategies.

Address possible concerns and counterarguments.

Example:

"To address cybersecurity threats, Russia proposes the establishment of a UN-led Cybersecurity Council to oversee global cooperation on cyber issues. Furthermore, we advocate for enhanced regional cybersecurity agreements through organizations such as the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) and BRICS."

5. Conclusion

Reiterate Russia's commitment to the issue.

Call for international cooperation while emphasizing Russia's priorities.

End with a strong diplomatic statement.

Example:

"The Russian Federation remains committed to constructive dialogue and cooperative solutions to global cybersecurity challenges. We urge all nations to work together under the principles of sovereignty, non-interference, and mutual respect in cyberspace."

General Tips for Writing an Effective Position Paper

- ✓ Be concise Keep the paper to 1-2 pages maximum.
- **✓** Use formal and diplomatic language.
- ✓ Back your points with data and references (UN resolutions, treaties, Russian government policies). Avoid personal opinions Always represent Russia's official stance.
- ✓ Structure it clearly Use paragraphs and bullet points for clarity.

✓ Check for grammar and spelling errors.