

UCBMUN XXVIII

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REGISTRATION GUIDE



LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL



To our revered guests from around the globe,

My name is Harsh Kumbhat, and I am beyond honored to serve as the Secretary-General for the 28th iteration of UC Berkeley's premier collegiate Model UN Conference. On behalf of my Secretariat and Staff, it is my pleasure to welcome you back to the InterContinental San Francisco for another exciting weekend of thought-provoking and captivating debate. We cannot wait for you to see what we have in store for you this year.

The San Francisco Bay Area has long been a hub for innovation and a bastion of change, and this year, our committees will promote those exact ideals. Whether you will be navigating the tumultuous ups and downs of British high society in Bridgerton or debating on the most effective and sustainable ways to put an end to world hunger in UNIDO, this year's committees will challenge delegates to think creatively and unconventionally like never before, and propel them to grow to become more well-rounded, skilled people. Change begins with us, and our conference hopes to underscore that more than anything.

At UCBMUN, we are committed to the well-being of our delegates, and we would like to stress that we are available at any time to address issues that may arise. Once again, on behalf of my staff, I am beyond excited to welcome you back to the historic city of San Francisco this coming year. Join us at UCBMUN from February 29th, 2024 to March 3rd, 2024, for a truly scintillating learning experience.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Harsh Kumbhat", is positioned on the left side of the page.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY



UNITED NATIONS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION



This committee specifically focuses on industrial regulation and development, with special attention on building a more resilient supply chain, food system, and planet. It takes place in the present day and delegates will decide between the following two topics: the economy of agriculture and sustainability in production supply chains. Agribusiness is an integral part of the world economy, and can be leveraged to invest back into rural communities and to alleviate world hunger. On the other hand pursuing a circular economy would reduce waste and undo the damage industrial production has wrought. Delegates will be asked to pursue solutions that address universal issues, while also supporting economic growth and stability.

UNITED NATIONS OFFICE OF OUTER SPACE AFFAIRS

Welcome to 2200, where humanity has finally made it to Mars. Nations with space programs sent delegations to set up camp, and each established their respective country on the new frontier. For the last 50 years, society on Mars has been developing. And yet the UN Office of Outer Space Affairs, UNOOSA, has not been able to agree on centralized policies since the Space Race in the 1990s. As Mars has entirely different atmospheric conditions, unfamiliar implications on healthcare, and no way of addressing stateless transports from Earth, the planet has begun to see climate change, declining public health, and a refugee crisis—a few issues among the many that you'll need to consider as you shape the future of international space policy.



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SPECIALIZED BODIES



LOK SABHA

TW; Mention of Suicide

Recently, India has seen a large spike in farmer suicides largely fueled by crop failures, rising input costs, and low market prices trapping farmers in a cycle of debt. These farmer suicides are a vivid representation of the failures of India's agricultural system, that are in desperate need of reform. This committee will take place in the current day and will address the topic of agricultural welfare throughout India. Lok Sabha is famously one of the loudest and rowdiest governmental bodies. Acting as members voted by their respective constituencies, delegates should come prepared to propose specific and realistic solutions and need to be ready to push their agendas and ideals forward. Please bear in mind that we will be tackling some heavy topics with some very real consequences, so be extra mindful of how you address certain parts of debate, and please remain respectful at all times.

THE AD-HOC GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

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THE MYSTERY OF THE MY WAY KILLINGS

A series of ruthless murders have occurred all over Manila, and a peculiar pattern begins to emerge: Frank Sinatra's 'My Way' playing eerily in the background at each of the crime scenes.

As dedicated police investigators, delegates will put their skills to the test, deciphering cryptic clues, examining enigmatic suspects, and evading becoming another verse in this bloody ballad. Can you unravel the mystery before the song fades into silence? Will you hit all the right notes? Or will your voice waver and crack when the time comes?



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THEY C(R)AS(H)TRO'D MY ECONOMY!: CUBAN CABINET, 1991



In 1991, the Cuban economy crashed into a grave depression and Fidel Castro declared to the nation that they had entered a "Special Period". The Cuban Cabinet Committee will take place from the perspective of the Cuban government at the beginning of Special Period. Delegates will need to address the loss of crucial oil imports, the collapse of the USSR and Comecon, the US embargo, and the failing agricultural sector. Whatever the direction, we hope to see delegates exercise a deep understanding of Cuban culture in the 1990s and emphasize social and economic policy measures over military actions.

WAR OF THE REGULATION, NORTH CAROLINA 1768



The War of the Regulation took place on the eve of the American Revolution when a popular group of farmers rose up against the colonial government of North Carolina. These rebels were known as the Regulators, and they sought to regulate (i.e. clean up) a profoundly corrupt and clientelist government. Delegates have an opportunity to make this democratic rebellion less short-lived and more profound. Delegates are tasked with envisioning what democracy should look like, how to handle corruption, and how to defeat a highly concentrated system of power and money before the United States government existed.

SCANDALS & SECRETS: BRIDGERTON



It is that time of year again when members of London's high society are returning from the countryside for the upcoming wedding season. Having lived in luxury and been protected by ignorance for so long, the ton must now take into consideration the outside world and political climate when making decisions for their personal gain. With the King's condition worsening, Queen Charlotte is as impatient as ever and will not stand for anything less than perfect. Every move must be carefully constructed, for members of the ton are never off the hook.

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NEIGHBORHOOD OF NIGHTMARES: BEVERLY HILLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION



Beverly Hills - home to LA's most ostentatious socialites. The glamor behind its reputation is built on the backbones of conspicuous consumption, cunning schemes, and petulant drama. Delegates will navigate this world of upper-class chaos as members of Beverly Hills' Homeowners Association, vying for power on the prestigious board and attempt to expand their influence in LA and perhaps even beyond. While delegates scheme, the City of Angels surrounding their fiefdom will not stand still - expect stunning reversals of fortune, socioeconomic crises, and indulgent parties. You have all been invited to the annual Beverly Hills' Homeowners' Association banquet - see you there!

ADANI GROUP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 2023



In 1988, Gautam Adani founded what would become a major Indian conglomerate - the world-renowned Adani group. Quickly, the company skyrocketed to the top. However, in early 2023, Hindenburg Research released a report claiming stock manipulation and accounting fraud, among other allegations. The company lost more than \$104 billion in market cap and has been under numerous investigations by India and the US. As members of the board, delegates will explore how they can restore this once great company to its previous heights.

THE SNM CABINET, SOMALILAND 1991



The year is 1991. In the wake of a devastating civil war, Somalia is fragmented and the north is on the brink of declaring independence. As the leaders of the Somali National Movement, your task is to carve out a nation from the ruins, forming the government of the emerging entity of Somaliland. Challenged by the chaos of a divided nation, you must balance the complexities of tribal loyalties, manage international relations, and ensure the fragile peace that hangs in the balance. The future of a nation is in your hands. Will you rise to the challenge and lead Somaliland into a new era of peace and prosperity? Or will your efforts crumble under the weight of this monumental task?

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BI*** LASAGNA: PEWDIEPIE VS T-SERIES - PEWDIEBYE

As representatives on the PewDiePie side, delegates will delve into the delicate balance of internet politics and the evolving nature of the route to fame. The debate of whether an independent creator can, with the help of the people, overthrow a gargantuan corporate entity will be called into question. Has the internet lost its meritocratic roots, becoming too corporatized for independent creators to succeed? Or rather, will a Brofist be enough to spark the revolution? The answer remains in the hands of PewDiePie and his internet creator companions.



BI*** LASAGNA: PEWDIEPIE VS T-SERIES - T-SEREK

As representatives on the T-Series side of the JCC, delegates will have to consider T-Series' role in disseminating Indian (and not just Bollywood!) music and culture to the world, and how to help promote this ultimate goal in the battle it has been dragged into by PewDiePie. Indian media productions, despite their size and grandeur, have often gone overlooked in the West and even looked down upon as inferior. T-Series delegates must find ways to protect and promote the sharing of Indian content with the world while also resolving their long-standing "territorial" dispute with none other than PewDiePie.



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DE NILE IS A RIVER IN EGYPT: UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL



The year is 2012. The Nile River, once the cradle of the Ancient Egyptian civilization, is in decline. Environmental degradation, climate change, and over-construction of dams has reduced the river to a mere trickle. Despite being an economic artery supporting the lives of millions of people from great African cities such as Khartoum and Cairo, the Nile has become a ticking geopolitical time bomb. As a major conflict brews on the greatest river in the world, how shall the UNSC navigate such times of uncertainty?

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REGISTRATION POLICIES & PROCEDURES



Upon submitting your registration form, our Chief of Staff-External will reach out to confirm your submission. After this is done, please expect information on how to pay within two weeks of submitting your registration form. Please try to submit your payment within 25 days of receiving the invoice. All late payments will be subject to a 5% late penalty per week. If there are any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact secretarygeneral@mun.berkeley.edu.

	Early Registration (10/15)	Regular Registration (01/15)	Late Registration (02/16)
Delegation Fee	\$95	\$100	\$105
Delegate Fee	\$95	\$100	\$110
Advisor Fee	\$60	\$70	\$80

REFUNDS

Delegate fees for changes prior to January 15th are eligible for 100% refund.

Delegate fees for changes made between January 15th and February 16th are eligible for 50% refund.

Delegate fees for changes made after February 16th are ineligible for a refund.

Questions or concerns?

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