**CRISIS COMMITTEE APPLICATION QUESTIONS 2014**

**2050 National Security Council**

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**1. What is your past Model UN experience?**

I participated in my first conference close to a year ago at Princeton. Honestly, it was an incredible experience. The environment of conversation was exhilarating and coming to resolutions was even better. It was specialized committee discussing GMO usage and child labor, and I couldn’t have enjoyed it more. Beyond that, I go the MUN club regularly at my school and practice with my team. We like to focus on the quick, strategic thinking needed in MUN during our meets.

**2. What do you think will cause the next major global conflict?**

A likely cause of future conflict on a global level is a lack of natural resources. This technologically advanced world we live in is using many things to excess, and that can’t last forever. A lack of resources such as clean water easily causes friction between groups of people who are both in need of the missing element. Thusly conflict arises and escalates until a solution is reached, or violence is instigated. The small conflicts eventually demand the attention of global powers. Then, if it seems as if aggression is the only way to ensure a proper compromise, global conflict arises…

**3. What is your favorite utopian future and why?**

Utopian futures are difficult to think of. Humans seem incapable of creating such “ideal” things. But if one were to exist, I’d prefer a peace and life-loving world where classes and social dividers faded away. Integrity and kindness would be the building blocks of society.

**4. What is your favorite dystopian future and why?**

My favorite dystopian future would have to be a complete dictatorship. One person or entity of extreme power, power that couldn’t be challenged, would rule over everyone and everything. Dissenting opinions would be eradicated and “chances” in the legal system would not exist. A perfect society would be created with force. Power could bring peace, but at the price of freedom. The dictator’s ideology would stand above all others mainly because any others would be erased.

**5. Is it easier to imagine the end of the world or the end of capitalism? Briefly imagine one of them.**

I’d say it’s easier to imagine the end of the world. Capitalism is so ingrained in society, or at least American society, that it would be very hard to part with those values. The end of the world seems more realistic. For some reason or another, a nuclear bomb is fired and strikes a populated area, and soon enough we have a nuclear holocaust. Surely some kind of retaliation would occur, and even with a small number of explosions of the nuclear sort, this planet would fall into disarray. Those bombs have so many far-reaching effects concerning their radioactivity, their environmental degradation, and the mutation that it’s easy to imagine an apocalyptic circumstance with a nuclear catalyst.

**6. Where will you be in 2050?**

In 2050 I’ll be somewhere quite (not a city), enjoying life with loved ones while watching the world fall apart. In that time, if there were anything I could do to alleviate the suffering of others or help humanity persevere, I would do it. I would try ad inspire change. It’s about time for some sort of major change in the world anyway.