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American Heritage

UNSC 2050 Crisis

1. My past Model UN experience has been attending PMUNC 2013, NHSMUN 2013, and MICSUN 2014, as well as mock conferences that my school’s Model UN club has held.
2. I believe the next major global conflict will be over water rights. Water, the very essence of life that covers three quarters of the globe, is surprisingly scarce in some places. The Aral Sea for example has nearly been drained in order to irrigate nearby crops and be made healthy for people to drink. In the Middle East, where tensions are already high, a lack of water may push people to conflict, fighting to survive at first. Other countries may choose sides and blow a local conflict into a worldwide struggle.
3. My favorite Utopian future is one where money is not an issue. If collectively we as humans can stop being so dependent on currency to power our lives I believe earth would be a much happier place. Without having to stress about financial terms we can all feel free to pursue what we love regardless of it monetary benefits. Teachers can teach, pilots can fly planes, and we can all be happy.
4. My favorite dystopian future is one where only a small privileged few have access to the necessities of life while the remainder of humanity has to struggle and fight for what they need to survive. Much like the movie Elysium, where the privileged don’t even reside on a barren earth, constant conflict would cause distress and panic among the underprivileged many who may plot to destroy the privileged few and all their resources, incidentally burying any chance of revival for our race.
5. I find it easier to imagine the end of the world. Several times has the idea of a barren earth filled the movie screen. I am Legend, WALL-E, Elysium, all deal with an earth nearly devoid of human life. These visions of earth are barren, dark, gray and dusty. I disagree with how earth is portrayed here. I feel that if humanity dies out, nature will reclaim the earth for itself. Lush green grasses and forests will once again rule the lands, decomposing any evidence of human settlement. Buildings and houses will be swallowed up in oceans of green and our planet will resemble the Garden of Eden, minus the people.
6. In 2050 I will be 52. By that point in my life I hope to have either retired or be close to it. I’m not quite sure what career path I will follow when I must make the choice but I hope to have had an impact on the people and world around me. I want my name to be remembered for the good I want to do for the benefit of everyone. I hope to have a nice house with a family, wife and kids, my kids with families of their own if they choose. I want to be somewhere happy mentally, satisfied with my life and the fruits of my labor.