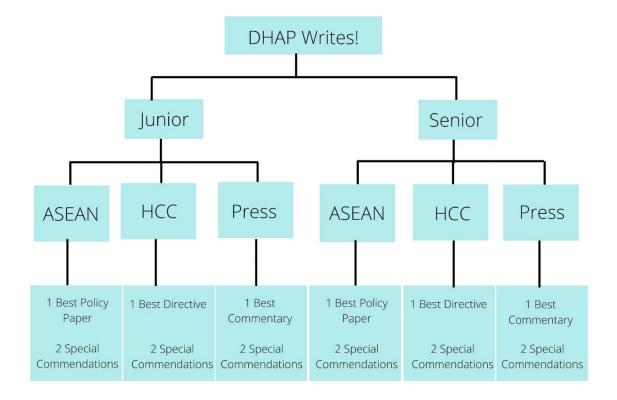


# **AWARDS CRITERIA**

For Policy Papers, Directives and Commentaries

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### ASEAN COUNCILS - POLICY PAPERS

Criteria	0 to 1 mark	2 to 3 marks	4 to 5 marks
Accuracy	Information in the policy paper is mostly or completely substantiated with inaccurate and unreliable research.  Examples include referring to past ASEAN declarations that do not exist in preambulatory clauses.	Some information is substantiated with accurate research, but a substantive amount is not, and can easily be proven wrong with a quick fact-check.	Information in the policy paper is mostly, if not completely, substantiated with accurate and reliable research.
Originality	Most or all of the proposed solutions are uncreative and uninsightful.  Examples include solutions that are adapted from past declarations.	Some proposed solutions are creative or insightful, but a significant portion is unoriginal and seen frequently across the papers from all teams.	Most, if not all the solutions are creative and insightful. They rarely or never appear in the papers of other teams .
Efficacy	Most or all of the proposed solutions would be ineffective in resolving, and are irrelevant to the issue.  Examples include policy papers with operative clauses that purely condemn inaction without proposing measures that can be taken to improve the situation.	Some proposed solutions are effective and relevant in tackling the chosen issue, but a significant portion would not have much direct impact in real-life.	Most, if not all the proposed solutions are extremely effective in responding to, and are relevant to the issue, and would directly make a huge difference if they were to be implemented.
Feasibility	Most or all proposed solutions are unfeasible and cannot realistically be implemented .  Examples include solutions that involve technology which has not	Some of the proposed solutions are feasible, but a substantive portion of them cannot realistically be implemented.	Most, if not all the proposed solutions are feasible and can be realistically implemented.

	been invented.		
Language	Language used in the policy paper is mostly or completely incoherent.	Writing is largely coherent but with numerous grammatical errors	The policy paper is very well-written, with little to no language errors.

# HISTORICAL CRISIS COMMITTEE - DIRECTIVES

Criteria	0 to 1 mark	2 to 3 marks	4 to 5 marks
Accuracy	Information in the directive is mostly or completely substantiated with inaccurate research.  Examples include mobilising troops that do not exist.	Information in the directive is somewhat substantiated with accurate and reliable research, but a significant amount is not, as proven by a quick fact check.	Information in the directive is mostly, if not completely, substantiated with accurate and reliable research.
Originality	Most or all proposed actions are uncreative and uninsightful.  Examples include simply mirroring historical actions in their entirety.	The proposed actions are minimally but notably creative or insightful, yet a significant portion is unoriginal and seen frequently across the directives from all teams.	Most, if not all the proposed actions are creative and insightful. They rarely or never appear in the papers of other teams .
Efficacy	Most or all of the proposed actions would be ineffective in resolving, and are irrelevant to the scenarios.  Examples include mobilising a single soldier in response to Israeli invasion of Egypt.	Some proposed actions are effective and relevant in tackling the scenarios but a significant portion would not have much direct impact in real-life.	Most, if not all the proposed actions are extremely effective in responding to, and are relevant to the scenarios, and would directly make a huge difference if they were to be implemented.
Feasibility	Most or all proposed actions are unfeasible and cannot realistically be implemented .  Examples include marching Egyptian prisoners-of-war from Israel to the Gulags in the USSR.	Some of the proposed actions are feasible, but a substantive portion of them cannot realistically be implemented.	Most, if not all the proposed actions are feasible and can be realistically implemented.
Language	Language used in the policy paper is completely incoherent.	Writing is largely coherent but with numerous grammatical errors	The directive is very well-written, with little to no language errors.

# PRESS - COMMENTARIES

Criteria	0 to 1 mark	2 to 3 marks	4 to 5 marks
Accuracy	Information in the commentary is mostly or completely substantiated with inaccurate research.	Some information is substantiated with accurate research, but a substantive amount is not, and can easily be proven wrong with a quick fact-check.	Information in the commentary is mostly, if not completely, substantiated with accurate and reliable research.
Originality	The content of the commentary is uncreative and uninsightful.	Some portions of the commentary are creative or insightful, but a significant portion is unoriginal and seen frequently across the commentaries from all teams.	Most of, if not the whole commentary is creative and insightful. The content is interesting and engaging.
Relevance	The content of the commentary is irrelevant to the selected theme, as well as the ideologies and target audience of the chosen news agency.	Some of the content is relevant, but the significant portion of it does not directly respond to the chosen theme, and does not align to the likely interests and inclinations of the target audience or ideologies of the news agency	Most of, if not all the content targets the given theme directly, and will mostly or completely align to the interests and inclinations of the hypothetical target audience, as well as the ideologies of the news agency.
Language	Language used in the policy paper is completely incoherent.	Writing is largely coherent but with numerous grammatical errors	The commentary is very well-written, with little to no language errors.