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#### The day has come, LMGMUN 2018 has begun.

The auditorium of La Martiniere Girls' College was, by only a hair's breadth, enough to contain all the excitement and anticipation that the delegates had. Loud and soft whispers when turned to complete silence the Orientation ceremony commenced.

The evening opened with the colleges' special guest, Mr. Vineet Sabharwal, who is the Director Of Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid, at Ashoka University. He addressed the delegates regarding the various types of students which Ashoka houses and also spoke about its liberal approach towards education. His brilliant speech discussing how every field and career required an all-rounder earned him a well-deserved round of applause from all present.

Our Deputy Secretary General, Kashish Gupta introduced the delegates to the ways and procedures of MUNs and how they work. She explained how the Orientation Day plays an integral part in the MUN as it is a platform for the delegates to interact with other delegates and with their Executive board members. It gives the delegates a chance to formulate plans and to understand the expectations of their EB members. Flashes of light from

### THE ORIENTATION

the cameras caught excited whispers and the so called "candid" smiles and the Logistics team offered what was probably the most in demand item; bottles of water.

The delegates then, were introduced to all the seven committees and their respective agendas, as well as their respective Executive Board members. The delegates present in the auditorium could ask the EB members any questions, they had, regarding the proceedings of the MUN and also how to go about the Roll Calls and the Moderated/Unmoderated

Caucuses as well as the GSI, SSL, Points and Resolutions.

Aftertheformalpartoftheevening was over, the delegates were allowed to talk to fellow delegates and EB members more personally and ask questions which they would have otherwise been afraid to ask. This also meant that it was time for the delegates to begin lobbying! The air was full of energy and excitement and a buzzing sound took over the atmosphere. People were everywhere talking and discussing and contemplating. In just about half an hour, diplomatic relations were formed, strategies were discussed, strong foundations were formed, ponytails were tightened and glasses were cleaned and made to shine. The faces of the delegates now showed not just excitement but determination to be the best.

In the end, all delegates left with the hope to be back in that very room after three days, with not just great memories but a "Best Delegate" certificate in their hand and we wish them all the very best.

# CERENING ANOU ABOUT OFFICE LIMINGS

ANOUSKA GOEL WRITES ABOUT THE FIRST OFFICIAL MORNING OF LMGMUN 2018.



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It is said that the flowers of tomorrow are planted in the seeds of today. With that thought in mind commenced the 4th chapter of LMGMUN which aspires to instil in the delegates qualities of commitment, passion, and empowerment, thus moulding them into becoming the leaders of a better, more satisfactory and a refulgent tomorrow.

There was a constant hum of excited babble within the auditorium which was halted only by the arrival of the Chief Guest, Mrs. Saira Shah Halim. The opening ceremony officially commenced with the lighting of the lamp followed by a brief opening video shedding light on the gruesome realities of the world- conflicts, war, disasters, riots. It showed us how La Martiniere Girls' Model United Nations, with its seven committees in action, strives to make the world a better place to live. Aspiring to eradicate hunger, fostering peace and providing necessary aid, LMGMUN stands up to its motto, "Unitas Justitia Specs".

Our Chief Guest, Mrs. Saira Halim delivered a brief speech on how important yet unaddressed world issues really are. She spoke about the value of engaging fruitfully in crisis such as these in order to bring about change. Following this, was the speech of our Lady Principal, Mrs. A. Dass who enlightened the delegates on the enriching debates they were yet to experience. The Under-Secretary General, Kashish Gupta then took to the podium to introduce the seven committees of LMGMUN'18 to the delegates along with the members of the Executive Board. Seated in the auditorium, the delegates seemed inquisitive and eager to deliberate upon their agendas.

Last but unequivocally not the least, our Secretary General, Vanshika Sharma gave a speech in which she expressed her gratitude to all those who contributed towards the stimulation of this

### 15TH JUNE, 2018 THE DEBATES BEGIN

conference. With a promise to uphold the integrity and principles of the United Nations and to make this conference bigger, bolder and better with each passing year, the conference was declared open with the bang of the gavel.

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#### "I fall in love with human beings based on who they are, not based on what they do, or what sex they are." - Shailene Woodley

Right to work, right to vote,

The constitution guarantees you both.

Right to live, right to own,

You never need to worry about those.

Right to education, right to reservation,

You'll never ever to stop your celebration! The book of law restores our faith,

As beneath cripples away.

India- The largest democracy in the world,

The thickest constitution in the world,

The best blend of all of the laws around the globe.

And yet what do we fail to recognise?

Right to love, right to unite,

Curfew in choice will bar your existence.

Names are pasted down the "Hall of Shame"

But tell me this, who is to blame?

Did she choose to love another "she"?

Did he choose to be born XXY over just XY? "Of course," they'd shout, setting all ablaze.

"It's their fault and it's unnatural!" they blasted absolute disgrace.

Mauling them they say, "It's not how God wanted it!"

Ah! Right. He wouldn't want to see such a plight.

Right to love, right to receive,

Barriers in choice will overtake thee.

Humans they are, he and she,

And all they ask is the freedom to choose their "one and only".

Shall they be united till the end of their lives?

In way of marriage; or a victim to genocide? Nations some, and now even more

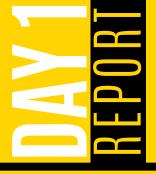
Embrace this stance and allow love to galore.

The book of law is old and wise,

But sometimes, we need to think otherwise.

Right to love, right to unite,

Why not allow every individual to delight.



# UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL

#### Eishita and Nandini present to you a committee that recreated the Lion King- UNSC.

"Are there no speakers in the GSL now?", said the President of the UNSC, completely taken aback as he stared back and forth between the delegates and his laptop. Soon the committee started replicating the speed of an old man pulling a rickshaw. It became extremely boring with only three delegates speaking while others watched the World Cup. The dreariness of the committee was nothing less than a slow and excruciatingly painful death, giving the IP not much of written material but many yawns.

With the EB trying their best to boost up the gloom with quotes, guilt trips, Game of Thrones references and even Kal Ho Naa Ho, it was dreadful to watch them fail. The committee that started on a positive note with the EB talking about books and happiness spiraled towards a

rather sad and dull halt. However, even with the delegates begging for a motion of entertainment, the President refused to budge and continued to use his sarcasm and wit after the delegates confessed that they had run out of content.

In the end, the committee was exactly how Mufasa was in The Lion King. **Dead** 



## MUFASA'S COMMITTEE



### **FICTIONOGRAPHIA**

This article is a pure work of fiction and is not based on any incident that actually occurred in the committee by any person dead or alive.

As the turtle paced committee sessions went on, Vice President saw a flicker of light in the corner of his eyes. He asked the President if he had seen it, but just got a weird look in reply. He was confused as to what the light could be, suddenly he heard a voice ringing in his ear, "Wadhwa, you will not support USA in this war between Sudan and USA and its allies." Vice President knew he could not disobey the heavenly voice anymore. He did as he was instructed to do, the President stared at him with a strange look but did not want to question him in front of the delegates and the IP.

As the Vice President went to sleep that night, he saw a silhouette of an old man in his dream whisper in his ears, "You did the right thing by not supporting the USA, very well." Vice President was confused and therefore, asked for the identity. Suddenly, there were lightning bolts in the sky as his newly donned curls started waving in the

air, an intimidating laughter pinched his ears and his skin went pale as the silhouette slowly picked color and became the laughing face of former North Korean dictator Kim Jong-II.



9th March, 2018 was hailed as a historic day as the 5 judge Constitutional Bench in the Supreme Court, headed by the Chief Justice of India, released a verdict in response to a plea by the NGO Common Cause giving its final assent to passive Euthanasia in the country, permitting the withdrawal of life support to hasten death for terminally ill and comatose patients, as well as the creation of advanced medical directives for a "living will".

While stopping the external feed, a person had been permitted by the judgement in the case of Aruna Shanbaug in 2011 when Pinki Virani, as her 'next friend' pleaded on behalf of the nurse who had had been so violently sexually abused that she spent the next 40 years kept alive medically in a vegetative state. At the time, anyone found guilty of assisting death could be held liable for culpable homicide, and although several petitions had been filed, Shanbaug's condition was the most gruesome and drew the nation's attention.

The 2018 verdict, which spoke about the right to life and liberty under Article 21 of the Constitution, stated that it included the right to a life 'that meets death with dignity'. While ethicists remain divided about the issue of euthanasia and the morality of killing a person versus letting them die by not

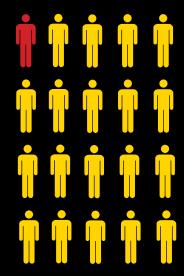
intervening when it may be crucial, the judgement definitely eases the moral dilemma of doctors and on families that were unable to take their loved ones off life support despite the financial burden and the impossibility of a cure.

The judgement still leaves certain issues unsolved, such as further guidelines to prevent its misuse, and the troubling restriction on minors ( who are as susceptible to terminal illness as anyone, and thus may have to go to court against their own parents to plead for an advanced directive).

For individuals who do not leave an advance directive, too, their relatives may ask the high court to permit passive euthanasia. While Active Euthanasia, or taking any positive step towards causing the death of a patient continues to be unlawful in India, many countries like the Netherlands and Belgium have provisions for allowing it in cases where a patient may be in unbearable pain. According to the judgement, supreme court guidelines are to remain in place until a comprehensive law along these lines is enforced by the government of india, and their records maintained by the high courts; and while this doesn't mark the end of the debate on legal freedoms with regard to euthanasia, it definitely reinforces the idea that at the heart of freedom, lies choice.



IN NETHERLANDS, THE 1ST COUNTRY TO LEGALIZE ASSISTED SUICIDE, NEARLY ONE DEATH IN 20 (4.5%) IS NOW DUE TO EUTHANASIA.



# OF HAVING A BEST FRIEND WHO IS AN EXPERIENCED MUNNER AS OBSERVED BY NOORIA FATIMA

Once a delegate, always a delegate:
Casual conversations with said best friend can become MUN sessions in as much time

as it takes to make instant noodles.

The Glossary:

'?!' becomes an expression that you master if you're not thorough with the MUN glossary.

(For your information, perambulatory clauses are different from operative clauses.)

Farewell, winning argument!
Bid a hearty farewell to winning an argument because MUNners and experienced ones at that will just not accept they're wrong. Their manipulating skills might just convince you that the earth is flat and not spherical!

Avoiding conversations:
Avoiding conversations like the plague when they creep into the world affairs territory if you haven't picked up the newspaper in 39 weeks and 7 days:

"Did you read about Trump's Ba-"
"Hey, did you notice my new haircut!"
"What kind of haircut doesn't remove split ends?"

Regaling turned Therapy turned Sleep-with-your-eyes-open sessions:

Understandably, your friend has A LOT to share with you about all the peculiar happenings in the committee but, before you know it they have begun taking out their frustrations because their points were deemed unreasonable by some and by the time they have justified and reached "....IT WAS PERFECTLY WITHIN REASON" your eyes are already glazed.

The Experienced MUNner Syndrome/MUN Mania:

Characterized by rhetorical questions and/ or statements asked out of complete bewilderment such as, "Why do you NOT participate in MUNs?" ,"You're missing out on so much", "Next conference, you're totally going" and the most dreaded one "I signed up for you at this great conference, you're welcome."

Avoiding meetings between your father and your best friend becomes crucial.

When it comes to knowledge of international events they are always a step ahead with their opinions and defense arguments ready and with your Dad there with the same thorough preparation, you do NOT want to bring them in the same vicinity because the sun will set and not swiftly at that and they will still be conversing.

# THE MUSINGS OF A LOGISTICS MEMBER

I thought being a logistics member would be a cakewalk but I have never been more wrong. I think I have served enough water for a lifetime; the mere sight of Bisleri bottles makes me want to hide. Being the living human definition of 'curiosity', I have died multiple times during LMGMUN; I had the chit in my very own hands yet I couldn't have a single glance at it. There were times when almost all the delegates decided to raise their hands at the same time and all I wanted to do was declare that my vision had suddenly become blurred.

Food is to me what Juliet is to Romeo and I cannot tolerate anyone who comes in between us. My murderous glare and gritted teeth proved the fact when a delegate came asking random questions right when I was about to take a bite of the heavenly kebabs.

Working as a logistics member may be frustrating and tiresome at times but it does have its own positive side. We get to observe everyone; we get to observe the varying emotions in the room, which is pretty interesting and fun. Watching heated discussions between delegates makes up for my entertainment for the day and makes me thank the Heavens that I'm not in place of the delegate who gets roasted and the risk of being invited by the EB to do a pole dance with an XYZ person is not there.

Besides, it gives us experience and teaches us how to work with all kinds of human specimens. One learns how to speak in a tone dripping with sugar even when a volcano sized fire in burning within; one learns how to function like a robot; one learns how to take care of all the fellow beings so that they can efficiently work for the welfare of their countries. Each experience in life brings with it a teaching that we cherish for life and this experience is no different, as rightly said by Paulo Coelho "People never learn anything by being told, they have to find out for themselves."

-Sincerely, An LMGMUN Logistics Member

Jogistics Member

# UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOURTH COMMITTEE

Zoya Azhar, Anoushka Goel and Lavanya Singh give an account of the proceedings of the UNGA-SPECPOL on the first day of LMGMUN'18.

From malfunctions to disruptions, from fundamental lectures to hasty conjectures; that was the beginning of UNGA-SPECPOL. The conference room was fully-packed, unlike the delegates' tummies which was clearly visible from their faces.

The conference commenced, giving way to a very heated discussion (Yep, those air conditioners were probably the most unpredictable things anyone has ever seen). Right from the delegates' banging their tables to their contagious yawns, the sessions of the SPECPOL were no less than a roller coaster ride. The Executive Board members were one of the best parts of the conference; sweet and calm, although their patience was tested quite a few times, modestly speaking.

Different motions were raised. From 'self determination of the Falkland islanders' to 'historical claims to the islands'.



discussions were held for all. Although the committee sessions were not completely satisfying and, if truth be told, a little repetitive, the spirit of the MUN wasn't killed and the delegates of SPECPOL look forward to a worthwhile second day at LMGMUN'18.

DAY 1 REPORT

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fellow delegates hostage.



Leaving her with no other choice but to succumb to this gruesome reality, she decided to divert her attention to football; which, at present, seems to be her only strong+ suit, while secretly praying to God that the Delegate of UK, by her clairvoyance, does not get a chance to plan any shady manoeuvres on taking over the only thing that she rightfully, read politically owns. However, it did not take her much time to break off from this bittersweet deception and get back to reality, where she would be requiring a much greater force than that of a football team to save her from drowning in the sea of her thoughts, yet again.

Kingdom who by her deceptive aesthetics held not a few, but all





LOOKING BACK TO LOOK AHEAD

TO SAVE DEMOCRACY'S DIALOGUES

#### [ER SARA BATOOL ANALYZES AND EXPLAINS 'CAESARISM'

Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India, was elected as the President of the Indian National Congress three times in his entire career. After his third election, he became worried that his prominence in the Indian National Congress would be perceived as Caesarism- akin to the dictatorship of the Roman Emperor Julius Caesar, a charismatic authoritarian leader whose rule was characterized by the cult of his personality. Conscious of the dangerous temptations that his own pride and position proffered to him, Nehru penned down an article titled 'Rashtrapati' under the pseudonym Chanakya (remember Chanakya, the political advisor of Chandragupta Maurya?). In

the article, he described himself as "some triumphant Caesar passing by' who might turn into a dictator with "a little twist". By writing this article, Nehru wished to re- emphasize to the Indians the importance of

questioning the national leaders- how absolutely essential it is for a democracy to be a living, thinking people. Because even at that crucial juncture, when we were still fighting with the colonisers for our freedom, even then we were in danger of becoming quiescent under the protection of our leaders.

Today, nearly seventy years later, Nehru's fear is more relevant than ever. The past century has seen the advent of dictators all over the world. Let us recount briefly the havoc they have unleashed. The most notorious dictator, whose very name has become synonymous with dictatorship, is Adolf Hitler. Let him be- we know of the Holocaust, the massacres and World War II. Let him be... Joseph Stalin, the controversial Russian dictator was responsible for elevating Russia from a backward country to a major world power and causing millions of deaths and deportations simultaneously. Pol Pot, the self- proclaimed leader of the communist movement in Cambodia is alleged to

have wiped off a fifth of its population. The third president of Uganda, Idi Amin, ruthlessly abused his powers by rampant abuse of human rights, ethnic persecution and extrajudicial killings. You have dictators- Batista in Cuba, Mussolini in Italy, Gaddafi in Libya- and the comparatively recent ones, Saddam Hussein in Iraq, Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan and of course- how could we forget him- Kim Jong Un, the Supreme Commander of North Korea. Why have these dictatorships been established, despite a form of government so empowering to the people as democracy? Something is certainly missing. Is it-could it possibly be the fact that we, as a democratic republic, as a people free to elect their

> own leaders, have failed miserably as the fact that, as long as there is

#### in our duty to think, think and judge without biases and prejudices hampering our judgment? Could it be worse, something as horrific

food in our bellies and a roof above our heads, we do not care what happens in the world? We ought to have learnt, from Hitler's Germany, from modern Libya, from the Sunni community of Iraq, that if you elect a leader for your personal or communal privilege, he or she will use that privilege to suppress you in the end. Caesar's charm is what he suppresses the Romans with. Or are we waiting for the dictators to give us a wake- up call to their illimitable power, as Nehru did? But Nehru is gone, people- Nehru left, and his daughter took advantage of the very fear he cherished on your behalf- and the Emergency occurred, and you were as helpless then as you are today when you watch the nation, like the world, spiral into anarchy, chaos and terror.

Friends, Romans, countrymen—wake up today. Your own power is at risk. This is an Emergency. We want no Caesarsremember, we want no Caesars.

# DIED YESTERDAY

### SARA MITTRA WRITES ABOUT COMICAL HISTORIC EVENTS THAT HAVEN'T BEEN SPOKEN ABOUT SINCE THEY OCCURED.

Would you believe it if I said that a dead man's body was dug up and now, it's pieces lie in different parts of the world or that one of the happiest countries in the world is home to a city which was established as a penal colony. Fundamentally hard to believe, but these events did occur. Like us, there are countries with pasts deeply buried that no one talks about.

Some of these might take an unexpected turn or end up being oddly hilarious but as much as a couple of them might be the result of a series of increasingly poor decisions taken by a man, they are factual.

#### The Affair of the Sausages

This wasn't a delicatessen deal gone wrong, this was the spark that ignited the Swiss Reformation.

In 1522, in Zurich, Switzerland, a preacher name Ulrich Zwingli preached a sermon against Lent and whether Christians were free to eat meat or not. This sermon went 16th-century-viral and a strangely named piece of church history was born. It all started when a printer fed his workers and some local dignitaries sausages during the Lenten fast. He was arrested for violating Zurich laws which led to outrage among people who understood that the Bible did not command fasting. So began a division that split Switzerland, and lead to the country becoming a bastion of the Reformation. And all it took was a sausage!

#### The World is My Country

Thomas Paine, an American political activist and allegedly the person who coined the name 'United States of America' died a penniless drunk in Manhattan with less than ten people at his funeral. 10 years later, an overzealous journalist William Cobbett, exhumed Paine's body and got it shipped to England with the hope of building him a proper memorial. He failed to raise up money and after Cobbett's death, Paine's remains disappeared from his attic. Legend has it that his bones were turned into buttons while people in multiple corners of the world claim to have different parts of his body.

This is almost poetic, because Thomas Paine once said, "The World is my country".

#### The Dead Queen of Portugal

A story of love, tragedy and of a haunting. Ines de Castro was the lady-in-waiting of Constance, wife of Peter. Although he was married, Peter would have secret meetings with Ines. After the death of Constance, King Alfonso, Peter's father ordered the murder of Ines due to growing disapproval of the court. Deranged with pain, Peter lead an uprising against his father. When he finally took the crown in 1357, he exhumed Ines de Castro's body and crowned her the (dead) Queen of Portugal.

#### **Prison City**

Brisbane, Australia was literally conceived as the worst place on Earth. In 1823 the government of New South Wales was hoping to find a new penal colony for the worst of the convicts in Sydney because the government was worried that they could find their way back to civilisation if they escaped. General John Oxley was sent to explore the coast and when he came across a previously unknown river he named it Brisbane, after Thomas Brisbane who was the Governor of New South Wales at that time. This was then established as a penal colony where Sydney offloaded it's worst convicts.

#### Till death do us part

In France, if have the approval of the President and the Justice Minister, you can legally marry a dead person. Known as Posthumous matrimony, this practice dates back to the Frist World War. A simple ceremony is held where the bride or groom stand beside a photo of their significant other and needless to say. The phrase "till death do us part" is removed from the vows and "I do" is replaced with "I did". So now you know where to go if, for any reason, you long to wed someone who has departed into the great beyond.

# IKIAKGH PRIVILEGES AND PARIT

#### "THEY ARE WOMEN, HEAR THEM ROAR"-BY NANDINI MUKHERJI

As the summer of 2018 marks a beginning, it is impossible not to acknowledge in what an important and admirable, albeit challenging and dangerous time we find ourselves in. There is no denying the fact that women in India have made a considerable progress in almost seven decades of Independence, but they still have to struggle against many social evils in society. Although it has been a tremendous year for women, from the **#MeToo** and **#TimesUp** movements to the Olympic Winter Games, unfortunately, the change is not enough. There has been amelioration in the position of women, but their true empowerment is still awaited.



In Politics, only 10 of the 152 elected Heads of State worldwide are women.



Women represent only 4% of the CEO's of the world's top 500 companies. than 25% women, 50% of the world world-wide.



There is no position • Men outnumber in the film-making process with more



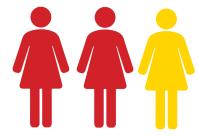
women as judges and magistrates in an education



are denied



62 million girls Only 52 countries in the world that have laws on marital rape



Every minute, 20 people are victims of intimate partner violence. 2 in 3 women who are victims of intimate partner violence are victims of homicide.



125 million women and girls alive today have been subjected to female genital mutilation, the ritual cutting or removal of some or all of the external female genitalia.

On the bright side the statistics as reported by the United Nations is seeing positive changes in these numbers. Currently 46% of privately held companies in the US are at least co owned by women. From 1997 to 2015 women owned businesses have increased by 74%. This year Cannes Film Festival jury president Cate Blanchett led a women's march up the steps of the Palais in Cannes in what turned out to be a powerful moment to promote gender equality in the film industry. A hush spread over the normally chaotic red carpet as the women took to the iconic steps, standing in solidarity and silence to call attention to the low number of females who have been selected in the festival's official competition over the past years.

A strong woman looks like a challenge in the eye and gives it a wink, and maybe that's why she's not taken, or should be taken as a threat but as one who will bring a positive change to the world. Women tend to be diggers, not giving up until they find what they need and as members of an egalitarian and democratic society, we need to push for change for them. With all force, the world can be made a better place for all genders.

# REPORT WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

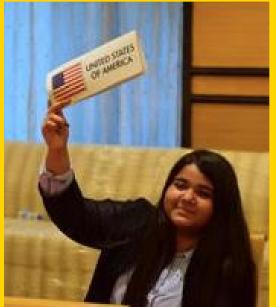
#### "The disaster showed how unprepared and vulnerable countries in Africa are." - The Deputy General

The committee commenced with the Director General, Mr. Bhoomik Sharma enlightening the delegates with the differences between a committee and a council, a question which left the majority of the delegates dazed when asked about it. During this interactive session, he also explained the rules of procedure, and cleared all the doubts of the delegates, pertaining to the Working Paper and the Resolution. The committee was to follow the procedure of UN for MUNs, which created a lot of confusion and wasted precious debating time.

The Director General made a change in the agenda leaving the delegates astounded, and striving to reach a consensus to avoid discussion on the Ebola virus. The tea break was spent in negotiation and deciding an appropriate topic for deliberation. Even after much debate and discussion the agenda was set to the aftermath that took place in the August of 2017 due to the mudslide. The plight of medical infrastructure in Sierra Leone with special reference to the threat of Ebola virus was especially taken into account. Some of the prominent speakers in the committee were the Delegate of Kenya, USA. Canada and Sierra Leone.

### AGENDA DILEMMA





#### Shaaivya and Sara write about the progress of the committee in discussing topics poles apart from the path of a cosmic solution.

The lunch break concluded with seven different pronunciations of Sierra Leone and heavy fake accents being spoken by the better part of the delegates. The Deputy General then proceeded to commence the session with little zeal and compliance. The Delegate of the Republic of Sierra Leone, which surprisingly, is not pronounced like you think it is, went on to contribute something from her past experiences as a delegate—the right to reply.

According to the delegate, the 'right of reply' was actually 'right to reply' leaving even the Executive Board Members perplexed. Apart from words like 'torrential rainfall' and 'deforestation', the most common occurrence in the committee was the delegate of United States of America oscillating her placard in the air like a proud American dad at a tailgating party, trying to get the executive board's attention. By the time she did, the faces of the rest of the delegates were like the expressions of ten year old delegates trying to read the Economic Times. And, yes, some even squinted their eyes.

### THE RIGHT TO SCREAM "DECORUM!"

## POSE OF THE DAY

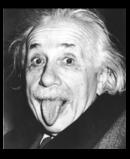




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#WHO









#JFK'S CABINET



From pretending to be a terrorist to donning a pair of shorts and a tee shirt and wandering about in the conference room in a desperate attempt to catch the International Press's eye, we have seen the delegates try it all. Here are some ways to make sure that we do feature you exclusively in our articles:

**Brag** about the thirteen thousand eight hundred seventy three flirtatious epistles of love written upon torn pieces of paper slipped into your hand by members of the Logistics. (We're looking out for you then, you won't even need to catch our eye. It's part of an ongoing research by the IP to find out how you're conjuring them)

**Forget** to switch off the flash in your camera as you play the part of every perverted, disgusting, insane, stalker-ish Raj (Shah Rukh Khan) or Keshav (AK, Toilet- Ek Prem Katha) and quietly creeping upon the man/woman you fancy, you silently, flashily, steal a photograph of theirs. Our photographers will be on you before you know it; and you'll have an entire article upon yourself exclusively.

**Begin** your speech with the words, "Now, delegates, you need to understand..." more than fifty times in one committee session. We'll wave a magic wand, and hey presto, you and your speech will be all over the press, and not in a manner that could be possibly envied.

**Like** most of our elitist, youthful delegates, should you bring an Apple Mac to the conference room merely to impress, depress or suppress the other, less- pretentious delegates, you will love the hilariously sickening savageries the IP will treat you with. It was done, it is done, and it shall be done too

**Undergo** miraculous transformations in the mysterious ladies'- and- men's- rooms, so that when you appear in the conference room after the magic is done, all jaws are left hanging and we are all reduced to playing a laborious game of 'Where's Waldo' before we realize that he's transfigured into Cinderella.

**Eat** chicken legs the way Ron Weasley did at the Hogwarts feast, with one in either hand. That one has long been one of our favourite poses, but people seem far too busy gnawing upon one chicken leg to bother picking up another. But when they do...

**Become** impervious to the existence of the IP/Logistics/anybody who is neither a delegate nor an EB member. However strong the Homenum Revelio spell may be, it has no effect upon these discriminating young scum, who bring shame to the very name of the United Nations and all the humanitarian issues it stands for. If you are one of these, you will certainly be a part of our articles; and if you do it chiefly to attract our attention, well, guess what? You've got it.

-By Sara Batool

# KOREAN RE-UNIFICATION: THE HYPOTHETICAL MIRACLE

HOW THE MIGHTY HAVE FALLEN

AS ANALYZED BY CHHAVI WHO HAS A PENCHANT FOR EVERYTHING KOREAN

Segregated due to sheer misfortune, war-struck and polarized by two malignant external stimuli, both of who desired world dominion and hence the once mighty Goryeo empire was reduced to a mere mutilated pawn. The reunification of North and South Korea is a ludicrous, non-existent possibility yet if materialized, it will be nothing less than a miracle for the citizens whose families were brutally torn apart when UN drew the line and stationed American and South Korean forces on one side and Chinese, Russian and North Korean on the other to stare each other to Kingdom Come.

The biggest question would be whose will be the Upper Hand? Will Kim Jong Un emerge as the "Most Supreme Leader" and unify Korea as a communist military dictatorship or will President Moon Jae In's faux democracy prevail and the world will witness Korea as a capitalist economy? However, this question is incorrect. The real question is, will Putin's Russia be the first to pipe down its ego, or will it be Trump's America?

Secondly, North Korean land is rich in minerals and South Korea has the means to extract them. If in sync, they can give an impetus to the Korean economy like never before. Thirdly, the huge sum spent by the Koreans to enable a meeting between the members of the sundered families will ebb out. However, as a result of four major powers brawling in the region, it is prudent to assume foreign investment in the South will temporarily dry up.

This disproportionately exaggerated (almost 70 years) situation of military tension between the two nations has drifted them apart - culturally, economically, verbally and in ways we cannot imagine sitting out here. The North Koreans, would have to lunge forward 20 years to properly adjust to the Southern culture. With the additional a GDP dip which may result Northern population, Korea would have in famines and probably lead to a civil war and we will be back where we started. Moreover, if the two Koreas are united, America, Russia, China and other, 'developed' nations will have to limit their squabbling to the Middle East. Korea will 10 years of unification also emerge as a superpower within threatened. Long story and China's hold in East Asia will be nations will uphold and short, the society and citizens of both endorse the unification but the men sitting on the celebrated yet corrupted chair wouldn't want so. And as Michael Jackson truly said, "They Don't Really Care About Us"

# US SENATE





### DONALD TRUNK? (THAT'S WHAT THEY SAID)

#### Muskaan Rajpal and Raghavi Agarwal write about the Bob who sleeps and the Bob who speaks

Recognition is what delegates aim for. However, if you are addressed as Sleepy Bob everytime, you would probably want to go back to sleep. Senator Bob Menendez was least interested in committee and had his head resting on the table. 25 minutes later, we found him still sleeping. Thankfully, he was noticed by the President. Having woken him up after shouting, "Bob? BOB!?" at least 6 times, the President asked him what his portfolio was. With his eyes screaming, "SLEEPY!" he proceeded to pick up his placard and look for the answer to the question (because who remembers their portfolio, right?). It was pointed out to the EB that there were, in fact, 2 Bobs in the committee. Sleepy Bob was then renamed as Bob 2 while Bob Corker became Bob 1. BOB 1 SPEAKS, BOB 2 SLEEPS was the cue for the delegates.

Bob 2 was later recognised to speak on Trump's foreign policies despite not having raised his placard. Needless to say, he spent the next 5 minutes being clueless and another 5 reading something from his phone. During the unmoderated caucuses and lunch and breaks, Bob 2 was seen with a pair of headphones on, hopefully listening to Opera's speech that would motivate him to speak and not sleep.

#### Trump's hairdresser probably lacks vision. Raghavi Agarwal and Muskaan Rajpal write about how some of his policies do too.

The main and running issue in the Senate is the lack of respect that the President of The United States, Mr. Donald Trump is receiving. Delegates forget ( read: refuse ) to address him as the President and not the fact that Trump's campaign majorly depended on the protection of the infamous Second Amendment and how even after the numerous gun violence crimes which have recently become widespread in America, Trump refuses to amend these gun laws. Questions such as "Why the American gun laws are not being amended?" and "Are guns as important as Trump thinks they are" are not finding a voice to be asked. Matters such as legalization of 'recreational' marijuana were however discussed. You want to make America great again, Senators? Try improving your priorities first.

Other questions however are finding a way to the top and some important topics are being touched, where certain Senators are questioning Donald Trump's continuously changing stance towards North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un who went from being "a rocket man" to a man with whom peace treaties could be signed and the banishment of LBTQ+ members from the military. While some raised questions some completed their unfulfilled sleep. President Trump has said, "I have an attention span that's as long as it has to be" so here is my question to all those Senators who were caught sleeping during committee sessions HASN'T WISE OLD "PRESIDENT" TRUMP TAUGHT YOU ANYTHING?





"YOU MAY CHOOSE TO LOOK THE 'OTHER WAY BUT YOU CAN NEVER SAY YOU DID NOT KNOW."

BY ZAINA AZHAR



AN ESTIMATED 27 MILLION ADULTS AND 13 MILLION CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD WHO ARE VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING NOT ONLY INVOLVES SEX AND LABOR, BUT PEOPLE ARE ALSO TRAFFICKED FOR ORGAN HARVESTING.





MORE THAN 80% OF TRAFFICKING VICTIMS ARE FEMALE. OVER 50% OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS ARE CHILDREN.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS THE ONLY AREA OF TRANSNATIONAL CRIME IN WHICH WOMEN ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED—AS VICTIMS, AS PERPETRATORS, AND AS ACTIVISTS FIGHTING THIS CRIME.



In the recent years, the world has seen an alarming rise in cases pertaining to forced prostitution, human trafficking and pedophilia. Human trafficking or the heinous act of selling people is a crime that hides in plain sight and has become one of the main global problems that the almost every country is facing. The purposes behind human trafficking are child labour, domestic servitude, child begging and the main one being sexual exploitation. Forced Prostitution, usually, is the second stage of human trafficking. Western Europe is identified as the main area of human trafficking and prostitution and this problem can be solved only if strict action is taken and evidence based research is carried out.

Prostitution is considered to be a taboo topic and hence is never discussed, but this is no excuse to be ignorant and to turn a blind eye to the sufferings of millions of girls worldwide. A victim, once trapped in the loop, finds it almost impossible to break free. Studies suggest that some girls are forced into prostitution because of extreme poverty and unemployment. Daughters of sex workers are often

forced into this profession and the same has been proved by statistical data. Drug addiction is another bait that the pimps use for luring prostitutes. The suicidal rate among the sex workers has risen alarmingly over the years and is a matter of great concern.

Pedophilia, a term that has grown really common nowadays, means a strong sexual attraction towards children. It is important not to confuse child molestation with pedophilia. Not every pedophile acts on this attraction and hence the ironic term 'good pedophiles'. However, not every pedophile is a 'good pedophile' and that has been proved by the unfortunate rise in the number of victims. The victims, that is young children, are not only physically tortured but traumatized too. Depression often takes birth as a result of such incidents.

The solution to these problems lies with the respective law bodies of the countries. Initiative needs to be taken before a million others are swallowed by the vicious web of human trafficking, prostitution and pedophilia.

# 8 PUBLIC FIGURES AS MUN DELEGATES

#### REPORTER EISHITA IMAGINES HOW CELEBRITIES WOULD ACT IN AN MUN



**Gabriel Macht-** He makes every girl turn into Emily Rose, with their heads turning in all the directions just to get a look of him. In their defence though, abs, chiseled jawline and dreamy eyes belong at a runway and not at a MUN. The chits keep flowing and even then he continues to be oblivious enough to keep to himself. He continues to speak about his vision of an ideal world free of problems, while the girls "accidentally" snap him. And then begin the rumours...



Tanmay Bhatt- This delegate gets in trouble all the time for saying impulsive things in the heat of the debate. Sometimes, even mere jokes head to some awkward silences in the committee session, bonus points for disappointed head movements. After a while, unsurprisingly, they are found outside the committee room more than half of the time.



**Kajol-** Every guy is suddenly SRK from every Karan Johar movie for this girl. Pulling chairs, passing chits, applauding way too much, they moonwalk between cute and creepy throughout the conference. Chits keep flooding in her handbag and obviously, her kohl. She is just a less dramatic version (hopefully) of Poo from K3G.



Shashi Tharoor- They are some of the best and most experienced delegates that have the capability to either silence the room in awe or thundering in applause. They do say some pretty scary and explosive words, which leaves people in a farrago of misinterpretations and preposterous confusions. (You definitely saw what I did there). Hey, pass me the dictionary, please.



Amit Shah-This delegate is so manipulative and cunning, with the greatest sugar coated words and history facts to quote. They hit all the right notes with the appropriateness of their words and are a legend at turning the opposition into their favour. Whether they are liked by others or not, they know exactly how to get their work done.



John Cena-When John Cena said "You can't see me", he probably did not mean it for disinterested delegates going missing midway from the conference. Either they do not show up or leave after just half an hour. Certificates are a priority for them, being the only thing they want from the conference in exchange of their money. You definitely can't see them.



Pahlaj Nilahani-This delegate can be seen cribbing or complaining about how offended they are by everything said by fellow delegates. Their speeches are filled with their differing opinions on every single topic discussed. They fail to recognise that people have opinions which are supposed to differ. It is safe to say that the delegates do not like them. At all.



Renuka Chaudharyi-If Little Mermaid had to be at a MUN, she would come as this delegate. They are oblivious, loud and obnoxious about things completely unrelated to the conference, and you want them to stop talking. The gems for the IP reporters, they become the star of their reports, trolled many times for their traits.

# BEST OF BOTH WORLDS (?)

## EISHITA WRITES ABOUT PEOPLE BELONGING TO MIXED RACES AND THEIR LACK OF IDENTITY.

"Multiracial" is defined as made up of or relating to people of many races. Individuals of multiracial backgrounds make up a significant portion of the population today for example-African-Americans, Caucasians and Black-Indians.

Mixed race children tend to face just as much as or more racism than the "pure" ones, a confusion of identity because of not fitting the stereotypes of the races of their parents, to the unrealistic beauty and academic expectations. Humans are not stereotypes and it is wrong to fit a diverse range of human beings in boxes, while painting them with one large brush.

The sad reality is that even today (in 2018); the color of someone's skin defines the treatment they get. Furthermore, the treatment that someone receives by others in their formative years is how they identify themselves. Personal identity is one part how others understand us and the other part is how we understand ourselves. A big part of the biracial or multiracial experience is being treated—or not—like a respectable person in society.

Many of them say that one of the most frustrating things is defining their ethnic group. When it comes to filling out official forms, for example, there doesn't seem to be a box that they feel truly represents their identity. On official forms, people tend to tick "mixed other" – otherwise known as "moth" – which does not really sum someone up. Meghan Markle, the wife of Prince Harry– whose mother is African–American and father Dutch–Irish – has spoken of leaving her identity box blank when she was in school. Many other celebrities are of mixed ethnicities, like Zayn Malik, Naomi Campbell and Vin Diesel.

Nearly two-thirds of people with mixed heritage do not identify as multi or biracial, as a Pew Research Centre studied that Americans with at least two races in their background. There are a variety of factors—skin tone, hair color, eye color, their place of upbringing —that may influence how someone identifies themselves. In the Pew study, 47% of multiracial people who do not identify as such say it's because they look and are perceived as a one race.

It is important to identify the people around us by their nationality deeds. We should accept everyone with open arms without looking at their nationality or our stereotypes, we are humans and that is what should matter.



# GCH Q GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATIONS HEADQUARTERS

#### Zaina Azhar, Aishanya Gupta and Chhavi write about the terribly tiny task force that the Government Communications Headquarters was today.

GCHQ kicked off with delegates' introductions and the Weapons System Analyst blatantly hitting on the EB with, "I have included LMUN as my best MUN so far – and that's not flattery". It very well seemed like one as the EB members flashed a magnificent smile to him. GCHQ, having a maximum of 10 delegates, all of them being recognised in the first motion itself saw the bored faces of the Logistics members as the EB disapproved of chits in the first few moments into the conference. The committee's functioning was based upon the "urgent updates" given by the EB from the various departments of the UK Government to prevent a standstill in the conference ... which was a commendable effort. However, the simulation of GCHQ was highly realistic:

"Can we use the internet?",

asked the Computer Network Operations Specialist.

"Actually, Russia may intercept us so we cannot use the Internet", said Izhaan Abbas.

Overall, GCHQ delegates seemed to be confused enough to pass motions using Thumb Rule where uncertainty for a yay or nay to a particular motion was decided by looking at your fellow delegates. The IP, though was promised a gripping and enchanting experience in the committee was compelled to listen to music and resort to computer applications programs. The EB also had to bring down the inexplicably of language and resort to speaking in Hindi to motivate the delegates for an enthusiastic dehate. Rather TedTalk-ing the delegates to **speak**.



## THE INTIMATE COMMITTEE



CONFUSION IN THE CRISIS COMMITTEE

#### A brief account of the confusion that was prevalent during the proceedings of GCHQ, by IP reporters Zaina, Chhavi and Aishanya

"I do not tolerate decorum indiscipline."

-Izhaan Abbas (Agency Executve of the GCHQ)

The first committee session of GCHQ started off on a motivating note with Izhaan Abbas (Agency Executive of the GCHQ) addressing the committee and explaining the rules of procedure. However, the session lacked enthusiasm and active participation with just a few delegates making valid points on the evidences of Russia's involvement in UK general elections.

"There has been no productive debate so far," said the very dejected and disappointed Agency Executive when all he received as answers were blank and confused looks. The Agency Executive of GCHQ and Chief of the Joint Intelligence Committee literally went from rhetorically asking the delegates why they were sleepy to outright begging for a "comprehensive" discussion.

Even after three rounds of Unmoderated Caucus and constant reprimands by the Executive Board, the delegates failed to come up with any solutions or directives. The delegates successfully managed to increase the number of "slip of tongues" with each passing second and also excelled in deviating from the agenda, which was Russian interference in British politics.

### JOHN F. KENNEDY'S CABINET



## BAY OF PI-WAIT, DID I HEAR BENGAL?

Spriha Mehrotra and Nooria Fatima write an an article to SWEETEN your day

It certainly wasn't a good day for the Attorney General, Robert F. Kennedy and the waters of 'Amar Sonar Bangla' when the delegate accidently made USA invade the 'BAY OF BENGAL' and the Cubans were left wondering if the 'Pigs' they had were really not as good as the rasgullas (read: Rausho-gullas) of our Bengali pride. The delegate spoke of how he favours the usage of ships for the economic feasibility they offer but the IP doesn't turn a blind eye to the fact that he might be trying to imply something. One can only imagine the leisurely cruise voyage to the heart of Bengal and having a good conversation with Mamata didi. We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to open your imaginations to the possibility of a missile crisis involving the CM. Who is the perpetrator? MODIJI. Soon Kejriwal would lead his 'dharna' all the way from New Delhi, coughing all along and extend his heartiest support to this cause. Religion in India would have gained new dimensions and believe me, when 1.32 crore people pray together, even God's network handling team can have traffic nightmares.

Apprentices of Black Magic? Check.

Modi-phobia? Check.

Explosion? Modiji will let you know. Ah! What a long way from the White House.

## WHAT HAPPENS IN THE CABINET DOESN'T ALWAYS STAY IN THE CABINET.

Spriha Mehrotra and Nooria Fatima keenly observe the committee happenings (or lack thereof)

What the International Press has gathered from its assiduous observations comes down to trust issues, factual inaccuracies, forgiveness, deep slumber and a whole lot of explosives.

The Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) may be the United States' premier agency but... it isn't good enough for our delegates! Every piece of information received from the CIA was questioned upon its credibility. Either their trust issues are getting the better of them or they are in an extreme state of paranoia. With nine delegates in attendance, the moderated caucus saw the Director of Central Intelligence, John McCone, suggesting that the committee needs to look for more information into the missiles of the Soviet Union. We wholeheartedly agree with Sir that he certainly NEEDS to look for more information because quoting 1400 Cuban exiles sent to Cuba as 400 exiles is what we call (one-in-a) thousand mistake.

We were privileged enough to witness the true Christian spirit of forgiveness portrayed by Dean Rusk, Secretary of State who, even after being informed repeatedly that his fellow cabinet members plotted his assassination, was seen conversing with the same.

The Secretary of the Treasury, C Douglas Dillon, took the matter to the very heart (read head) fell sick and asleep, only waking to raise his placard from time to time.

Despite the awkward silences, delegates came through with a Committee Directive sending 15 missile planes into Cuban territory (only to be shot down later). We see how all solutions don't saturate perfectly. Some just turn into ashes.



### FIDEL CASTRO'S CABINET



#### LILY TALKS

Sara Batool and Fatima Zahra write about the shrewd (read bewildered) members of Fidel Castro's Cabinet.

Crossing the threshold of committee room 'LILY' for Che Guevara has been a passage through time. On 15th October, 1962, Che Guevara, sitting in Fidel Castro's cabinet, scrolled enthusiastically through Wikipedia's reference list on his phone, forgetting that neither exists presently. But okay, maybe Guevara is sick of being Castro's wingman and also of Castro's strange accent. Or maybe that's just us feeling the latter part.

Jimenez, Minister of Agrarian Reforms,

wishes to convert Cuba from a feudalist to a capitalist regime (good news, JFK's cabinet; your efforts have been wasted). During the Round Robin, Garcia brandishes a stapler publicly (we assumed that he was threatening America with its pins) while elucidating eloquently on the best ways to deal with that room across the corridor. Fidel Castro, during this session, proclaims that he is a fan of nepotism- a real problem, because the blood runs rather slowly and stupidly in his brother Raul Castro.

The Fidel Castro Cabinet knows that the John F. Kennedy Cabinet knows that ballistic missiles have been placed in Cuba because Castro knows about the US' fear of Cuba becoming a communist nation. We see a very clear case of 'we know that they know that we know' emerging before our eyes. Also, if your eyes begin to wander while reading that first sentence, it's completely OKAY. Garcia, we think, is guilty of a conspiracy within the Cabinet, because he has been seeking to ensure that Castro is 'sick- secure'. Better look out.

Capitalist pigs, says Fidel Castro, referring to the Americans. JFK, if you're reading this, we expect retaliating remarks over lunch (and maybe a punch in the stomach or two, we're rather bored out here).

## CASTRO AND THE MAN WHOSE PEN HAD NO INK (WE THINK) After a great deal of confusion, we've discovered that Fidel Castro

After a great deal of confusion, we've discovered that Fidel Castro has multiple personality disorder. One personality shows Castro's dictatorship, making other's conference tables his personal chair, flinging pens across the room when he doesn't need them anymore and raising an authoritarian finger every two seconds to summon a member of the Logistics to deliver his personal wrath upon the members of his cabinet. The other personality shows the streaks of madness in Castro's character, dancing in the middle of the conference and resembling a pelican uncannily in the process and advocating Calcutta biryani over Dastarkhwan's despite Calcutta biryani having potatoes in it.

The latter personality is strolling through his Instagram feed and editing narcissistic pictures and randomly drumming on whatever he can find, probably to drown the irritating discussions surrounding him where silence prevails during all un-moderated caucuses.

There is a mole in the committee. By mole, we mean traitor. There is still no open brawl with JFK for calling them capitalist pigs.

A message has been intercepted from the CIA. Being unable to decipher it, the Cabinet members have declared that it contains instructions to make the Internet. The Director of Intelligence is concerned about the Minister of Interior who is probably a spy, for he wishes to meet with Dean Rusk, a member of JFK's cabinet. Let's see- let's see. There's bound to be an outrage soon.



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JCC CRISIS UPDATE

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Inspired by Castro's visit to Venezuela, the youth of the nation has been tilting towards the socio-economic policies of Castro as compared to the contrasted views of Romulo Betancourt.

In light of the recent decision by Betancourt to suspend civil liberties, the Armed Forces of National Liberation [FALN], has officially been formed by the Communist Party of Venezuela as they usher in a Revolution against the hegemonic policies of the currently democratically elected government of Venezuela.



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