

Dear Delegates,

My name is Alice Ma, and it is my pleasure to serve as your Head Chair in the Ad Hoc Committee of the Secretary-General at UCBMUN XXI.

Originally from the suburbs of New York, I'm currently a fourth year majoring in Political Economy with minors in Middle Eastern Studies and Computer Science. I've been a dedicated member of the Model United Nations since my freshman year, participating as a member of our travel team and serving as Head Chair of the No King but Caesar committee at UCBMUN XX. While I'm not engaging in all things related to MUN, you can find me frequenting cafes with a good book, attempting (and failing) to watch and understand Arabic cartoons, puzzling over the subtle wording of the Chinese state media, or having coffee with friends.

The Ad Hoc Committee of the Secretary-General at UCBMUN this year will push you to your limits as a delegate, demanding intense debate, innovative and cunning subterfuge, and comprehensive solutions. We will throw everything we have at you, and nothing is off limits. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to either Roya or myself.

Sincerely,

Alice Ma

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Welcome Delegates!

My name is Roya Azarkeyvan and I am honored to be serving as your Crisis Director for UCBMUN's fourth iteration of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Secretary-General. I am very excited to be returning to this committee after having served as an assistant crisis director for UCBMUN's very first Ad Hoc Committee back in 2014. In between, I was Crisis Director for the Reign of Terror committee at UCBMUN XIX and served as the Under-Secretary-General of Crisis at last year's conference.

My time at Berkeley is spent studying Political Economy and Public Policy. That being said, you should know that I have a few choice words to say about globalization and the neoliberal agenda. More specifically though, I am interested in financial technology, illicit finance and global money-laundering as well as global financial integrity. I look forward to seeing those interests converge as I take some time off school to pursue banking regulation at the Treasury Department's Office of the Comptroller of the Currency before heading back to Berkeley in the Spring of 2017. All that humble bragging aside however, I'll top it off by saying that I hope to make this Ad Hoc Committee one for the circuit to remember. Model UN has been the single most important experience in my college career and where I've made some of my best friends and memories. If you're looking for a memorable experience that will test not only your oratory skills, critical thinking, and stamina - but also your understanding of international relations and frameworks on a macro scale, then this is the place for you and I highly urge you to apply.

If you have any questions or concerns about the committee, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or Alice because we want to see you here!

Best of Luck,

Roya Azarkeyvan

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