

The State Council of the People's Republic of China

Rules of Procedure

General Rules

Rule 1: Scope & Application

The following rules of procedure apply in full to all sessions, ordinary and extraordinary, of the Cabinet at KINGMUN 2019. No other rules of procedure are applicable.

Rule 2: Delegate Conduct

As ranking officials from their respective countries, delegates are expected to remain courteous and respectful to all staff members and other delegates; appropriate diplomatic language, abstention from profanity and/or any other inappropriate behavior, and a willingness to fulfill the duties of individual roles is required.

English will be the official and only working language of the committee, and affected accents are not permitted. However, speech is not required to be in third-person, and as such, first-person pronouns (i.e. I, he, we) are allowed. Delegates are also allowed to refer to each other by their titles or designated last names. Western business attire is mandatory during all committee sessions, and the Chair will immediately call to order delegates who do not abide by this rule.

Delegates are expected to be present at the beginning of every committee session. Roll call will be taken before debate is opened, and delegates arriving late must submit a note to the Dais indicating whether they are present or present and voting. Delegates who will not be present for part or all of a committee session must inform the Dais beforehand by note or by email.

Rule 3: Use of Electronic Aids

The use of laptop computers, tablets, or other similar devices is permitted during committee session. Wifi will be provided by the venue, and access information will be relayed by the Dais. Cell phones are prohibited during committee session and delegates may not use electronic devices to communicate in any manner with other delegates while the committee is in session. Any questions about electronic devices should be brought to the Dais.

Rule 4: General Powers of the Secretariat

The Secretary-General and other members of the Secretariat reserve the right to modify or suspend these rules at any time, and may serve as a member of the Dais at the discretion of the Director.

Committee Rules and Format

Rule 5: General Powers of the Committee Staff

For the purposes of the International Criminal Tribunal, the Dais will act as moderators and facilitators of debate in committee. The Dais will be comprised of a Director, Chair, and Assistant Director (AD).

The Director will be responsible for holding authority over debate and rules of procedure. The Director may also advise the committee on further actions and how to proceed in debate.

The Chair will be responsible for the operation of ChairMUN, the application of the following rules of procedure, and the opening and closing of committee sessions.

The Assistant Director will be responsible for assisting in facilitating debate and enforcing the rules of procedure in committee.

Rule 6: Role of Delegates

For the purposes of the State Council, delegates will be representing various ministers and other positions within the council. They will be acting as individuals, and may choose to represent their own beliefs and opinions as long as they keep in mind the context of the Chinese government and their position's jurisdiction. They do not have to research or represent the views of specific people.

Rule 7: Flow of Debate

Points

The State Council for the People's Republic of China will entertain all points outlined in the regular longform Rules of Procedure (ROP).

Motions

There are a variety of motions that may be proposed by delegates throughout committee. Certain motions will be determined appropriate or inappropriate at times based on dais discretion, but they may be motioned for at any point when the dais prompts the committee for points or motions.

Motion to Open Debate

When prompted for points or motions, delegates may begin debate by proposing a motion to open debate. Once opened, the committee will automatically move into the **Primary Speaker's List**, where delegates will discuss which topic will be debated first. The speaking time will be set for one minute. Delegates wishing to be added to the list may do so by raising their placard when the Dais asks if anyone wishes to be added, or by sending a note to the dais.

Motion to Set the Agenda

Following the debate in the Primary Speaker's list, the Dais will ask for points or motions. At this time, other points or motions will be ruled dilatory. Delegates wishing to set the agenda must state their proposal to set the agenda to either Topic A, then Topic B or Topic B, then Topic A. The committee will then vote on the agenda.

Motion to Enter the Secondary Speaker's List

The majority of debate will take place in the Secondary Speaker's list. When prompted for points or motions, delegates may enter the Secondary Speaker's List by proposing this motion. The speaking time will be set for one minute. Delegates wishing to be added to the list may do so by raising their placard when the dais asks for those who wish to be added, or by sending a note to the dais expressing their wish to be added.

Motion for a Moderated Caucus

When prompted by the dais, delegates may motion for a moderated caucus. The caucus must be motioned for with a set topic, length, and speaking time. During the caucus, delegates may only discuss the designated topic.

Motion for an Unmoderated Caucus

When prompted by the dais, delegates may motion for an unmoderated caucus. The caucus may not exceed the length of 15 minutes unless the dais determines that a longer time will be productive for committee.

Motion to Amend Current Policy

Throughout the course of debate in this committee, delegates may decide that a key existing policy needs to be reworded or rewritten. If they believe this to be the case, they may propose this motion, along with the policy they wish to amend. If the dais approves and the committee votes to entertain this motion, the delegate will present their proposed amendment. Following the proposal, the dais will set a 5-minute moderated caucus to debate on the merits of amending the policy.

Motion to Vote on an Amendment to Current Policy

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Once the moderated caucus for debating the amendment expires, the Dais will only accept a motion to vote on the amendment. If the motion passes, delegates will vote on whether to make the change to a current policy, or to reject the amendment. The method of voting will be simple majority by placard unless otherwise requested by a delegate or specified by the Dais.

National Administration Regulation (NAR)

The final document for each topic of this committee will be a compiled list of NARs. These will serve as a policy plan to remedy the effects of the issue that is being debated by the State Council. The document will be added to throughout committee session, and will serve as a living document that is kept by the Dais and can be viewed by delegates.

Motion to Propose a NAR

When delegates have come to an agreement about a policy they wish to enact, they may write down their specific plan and the general rules of their policy. These must be specific and detailed, but do not have to be long. The NAR must include a title and names of the sponsors. When delegates have written a NAR, they may motion to propose it to the committee. If their motion passes, the NAR will be passed up to the Dais to be added to the final document as a tentative clause.

Motion to Debate on a NAR

If delegates believe there are amendments that should be made to the NAR, or that it should not pass, they may motion to debate on the policy. If passed, the Dais will set a five minute moderated caucus for delegates to debate the merits of the NAR or add amendments.

Motion to Vote on a NAR

Following the debate on a NAR or the proposal of a NAR, delegates may motion to vote on it. The dais will ask for those in favor of the passing of the NAR into the final document. If a simple majority of delegates vote in favor of the NAR, it will pass and be officialized in the final document.