

# THE GUIDE TO **DELEGATE** PREPARATION

## United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

The global fight against  
organised crime with  
specific focus on the  
recruitment of child  
soldiers



# RESOURCES

Rules of Procedure	<a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1AvaEKch53eEw_Fz_MFpuN7lg4IEikao-7eByUcVYFuo/edit">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1AvaEKch53eEw_Fz_MFpuN7lg4IEikao-7eByUcVYFuo/edit</a>
Guide to writing a position paper	<a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1if4LjSSXwpT8inyMAwK7a94TXjaKC3osZpEBE3PkY-w/edit">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1if4LjSSXwpT8inyMAwK7a94TXjaKC3osZpEBE3PkY-w/edit</a>
Guide to writing a resolution	<a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MDJq4F5upMTwAlxtg6Jt3VdKbP2zxcN8RzgMOZl4BuM/edit">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MDJq4F5upMTwAlxtg6Jt3VdKbP2zxcN8RzgMOZl4BuM/edit</a>
Criteria for winning awards	<a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Gog_x3dNAwDtxWbB3_zPAKosDJPAFaKcnQ1_J_CeDYo/edit">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Gog_x3dNAwDtxWbB3_zPAKosDJPAFaKcnQ1_J_CeDYo/edit</a>

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## Chairperson

Harsh Thakkar has been actively taking part in MUNs around the country and has been to United States of America, Singapore and China to participate in several international Model UN Conferences in the capacity of delegate as well as Executive Board. Apart from his flair for MUNing, Harsh is not only an active donor to World Wildlife Fund (India) but also has expertise in Search Engine Optimization and Google AdSense Marketing. In his free time, Harsh enjoys spinning decks on his DJ controller, traveling and playing Dota 2. Harsh thinks the primary goal of MUN is to foster the leadership potential of High school and University Students with innovative initiatives relating to global, social, political and economic issue.

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## Vice-Chairperson

Vanshika Agarwal is enthusiastic about and actively participates in MUN's across India and Hong Kong. Besides MUN's she has also taken part in Round Square International Conferences. A student of Grade 11 in Fountainhead School, she is a dedicated football player and a swimmer. Vanshika believes that the purpose of a MUN at a school level is to establish a belief of globalisation make a difference in the young minds for them to aspire for a better world.

# INTRODUCTION TO THE AGENDA

## THE GLOBAL FIGHT AGAINST ORGANISED CRIME WITH SPECIFIC FOCUS ON THE RECRUITMENT OF CHILD SOLDIERS

Organized crime is portrayed in ample forms including trafficking in drugs, firearms and people. UNODC is the guardian of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and one of its protocols is Trafficking of people. Transnational organized crime has permeated government agencies and institutions, fuelling corruption, infiltrating business and politics, and hindering economic and social development. Organized crime adapts as new crimes emerge and an issue of great concern, which has arisen, is the use of child trafficking as a means not to build national armies but rather build armed groups, paramilitary and military forces organized by terrorist organizations. At least hundreds of

thousands of adolescents have been used to fight in warfare, and even children under ten years old are being recruited as child soldiers. Child soldiers are subjected to extremely harsh conditions that no child should have to face. The children are often made to work without any instructions and training on weaponry and explosives.

In recent decades, the forces of globalization have restructured the labor markets and economies in both industrialized and developed countries. Many children are currently living in countries devastated by war. Children belonging to minorities, mobile or displaced populations possess a greater risk of recruitment and use by armed forces or armed groups due to reduced social protection and coping mechanisms and discrimination on the basis of their perceived allegiance with hostile associations. In such countries, children are abducted and enrolled in armed groups are, in numerous cases, held under influence by alcohol, drugs, or other substances. This in some cases may ensure loyalty but it cannot be ignored that this encourages various practices of organized and war crimes. Therefore, keeping the agenda in mind, we would discuss about fight against child soldiers that makes increased cooperation necessary and collaboration in the fight against organized crime with emphasis on the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.

## QUESTIONS THAT A RESOLUTION MUST ANSWER

A RESOLUTIONS MUST ANSWER ALL THESE QUESTIONS TO BE DISCUSSED IN COMMITTEE.  
THIS WILL MAKE SURE THAT RESOLUTIONS ARE COMPREHENSIVE, THE DEBATE IS  
STRUCTURED AND PURPOSEFUL AND IT WILL FORCE THE DELEGATES TO CRITICALLY EXAMINE  
ALL ASPECTS OF THE AGENDA

- Ways of getting child soldiers reintegrated into society
- How children can be kept from being lured into the organized crimes
- Ways of mitigating of forced recruitment
- How existing international legal framework can be modified keeping in mind current situation

## SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER RESEARCH

## Topics to be discussed

- Involvement of Government Officials and Corruption
- The Convention Against Transnational Organised Crime, 2000
- The United Nations Convention Against Corruption
- Voluntary vs Forced Recruitment
- Treatment of Child Soldiers
- Current Situation

## Quick notes

- Your research lies beyond this study guide and delegates are requested to research more.
- Do research the updated information on various news agencies.
- Stick to Reuters/CNN/BBC/UN News

## Further Reading

- [http://www.ihra.net/files/2011/08/08/Children\\_of\\_the\\_Drug\\_War](http://www.ihra.net/files/2011/08/08/Children_of_the_Drug_War)
- <http://www.undispatch.com/child-soldiers-in-the-mexican-drug-war/>
- <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/mexico-drug-gangs-using-more-children-as-mules/>
- <https://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/about-unodc/index.html?ref=menutop>
- <https://www.unodc.org/unodc/search.html?q=child+labour>
- <https://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/organized-crime/index.html>
- [http://pangaea.org/street\\_children/africa/armies.htm](http://pangaea.org/street_children/africa/armies.htm)
- <http://rsq.oxfordjournals.org/content/27/4/96.full?sid=3318cdde-eea6-4e9a-a311-921687869c58>
- [http://www.ilo.org/global/topics/child-labour/lang--en/index.htm\\_%5B1%5D.pdf](http://www.ilo.org/global/topics/child-labour/lang--en/index.htm_%5B1%5D.pdf)
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