



## Resolutions

The final results of discussion, writing and negotiation are resolutions—written suggestions for addressing a specific problem or issue. Resolutions, which are drafted by delegates and voted on by the committee, normally require a simple majority to pass.

### Preambulatory Clause

Preambulatory clauses are historic justifications for action. Use them to cite past resolutions, precedents and statements about the purpose of action. A pre-am starts with a pre-am phrase (see list below) and ends with a comma and the word ‘and’

Here is a list of common phrases:

Affirming	Expecting	Noting with deep concern
Alarmed by	Expressing its appreciation	Noting with regret
Approving	Expressing its satisfaction	Noting with satisfaction
Aware of	Fulfilling	Noting further
Bearing in mind	Fully alarmed	Noting with approval
Believing	Fully believing	Observing
Confident	Further deploring	Reaffirming
Contemplating	Further recalling	Realizing
Convinced	Guided by	Recalling
Declaring	Having adopted	Recognizing
Deeply concerned	Having considered	Referring
Deeply conscious	Having devoted attention	Seeking
Deeply convinced	Having examined	Taking into account
Deeply disturbed	Having heard	Taking into consideration
Deeply regretting	Having received	Taking note
Desiring	Having studied	Viewing with appreciation
Emphasizing	Keeping in mind	Welcoming

### Operative Clauses

Operative clauses are policies that the resolution is designed to create. Use them to explain what the committee will do to address the issue. An op starts with an op word or phrase and ends with a semicolon. Each op should be numbered, and last op ends with a period.

Here is a list of common phrases:

Accepts	Draws the attention	Proclaims
Affirms	Emphasizes	Reaffirms
Approves	Further invites	Recommends
Authorizes	Encourages	Regrets
Calls	Expresses its appreciation	Reminds
Calls upon	Expresses its hope	Requests
Condemns	Further invites	Solemnly affirms
Confirms	Further proclaims	Strongly condemns
Congratulates	Further reminds	Supports
Considers	Further recommends	Takes note of
Declares accordingly	Further requests	Transmits
Deplores	Further resolves	Trusts
Designates	Notes	



## Example

Submitted To: The Security Council

Submitted By: Jordan

Subject: Nuclear Proliferation

The Security Council,

NOTING WITH DEEP CONCERN the advancements made by nuclear weapons for acts of terrorism, and

DEEPLY DISTURBED by the potential catastrophes set forth by nuclear weapons, and

FULLY AWARE of the horrific and deadly consequences following the prior use of nuclear weapons, and

FURTHER DEPLORING the countries who currently have nuclear weapons without proper approval, and

EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION towards Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon and many United Nations members working towards the goal of nuclear nonproliferation, and

FUTHER DEPLORING the Democratic People's Republic of Korea's sale of nuclear weapons to Middle Eastern Nations, and

KEEPING IN MIND the possibilities of using nuclear power as source of energy, and

1. REAFFIRMING the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons;
2. ENCOURAGES all nations to sign and uphold the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, amongst other relevant resolutions concerning nuclear nonproliferation;
3. ENDORSES all efforts made to eradicate nuclear weapons from all regions of the world;
4. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the use of nuclear weapons for intimidation and terrorism;
5. EMPHASIZES the need for transparency of information concerning nuclear technology to help grasp current nuclear threats and help improve international security and safety;
6. RECOMMENDS that further research be conducted towards using nuclear power as a practical source of energy;
7. REMINDS nations of the importance of collaborating in hopes for scientific advancements concerning nuclear energy.

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Submitted to: The Legal Committee

Submitted By: DPR Korea

Subject: Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council

The Legal Committee,

NOTING WITH CONCERN the disproportionate representation of the Security Council, and  
 REMINDS that the number of seats in the Security Council has not been expanded since the 1965 amendment to the United Nations Charter, and

FURTHER REMINDS that since the last addition to the Security Council, 75 states have become members of the United Nations, and

FURTHER NOTES that the veto power has prevented many formal movements or changes, keeping true reform from being enacted, and

AWARE OF the regrettable dissent of the Security Council to any changes to their power and the P5 veto, and

BELIEVING that an increase in representation on the Security Council will limit disputes, prevent violence, and create stability, and

ENCOURAGES global leaders to accept the necessity of a strong and balanced Security Council and allow needed reforms, and

1. CONDEMNS the hesitancy of the P5 powers to allow reform in the Security Council;
2. ENDORSES the addition of member states in the proportion to the size of the UN, and the adjustment of membership with expansion or reduction of the UN body;
3. REQUESTS Security Council permanent members to accept these needed additions;
4. ACCEPTS that the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, as a major global and regional power, be added as a permanent member state of the Security Council;
5. EXPRESSES ITS HOPE for a more unified and peaceful world by equitable representation of regional powers to settle disputes and more astutely oversee peaceful transitions, developments, and relief;
6. CALLS for the election of the permanent members by a vote from the General Assembly and the addition of at least 5 seats to the Security Council;
7. RECOMMENDS that seats in the Security Council be divided by regional groups with major powers from each region receiving a seat;
8. NOTES that the needs of the world have changed greatly since the Security Council’s founding and the centers of power and commerce have shifted greatly, and that the representation for this change has not been forthcoming.

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