

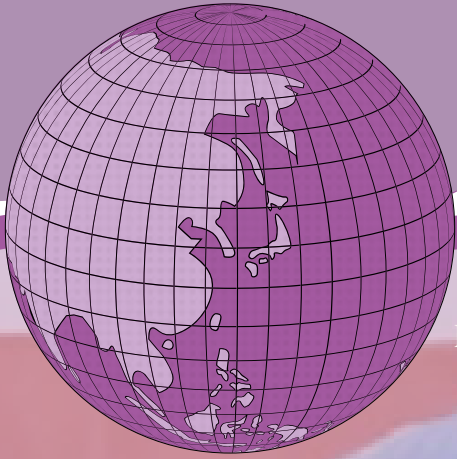
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PHOBIA OF THE ISMS



Often thrown around like a ball in a park,
Mere words in speeches to nail the caucus,
Like a shot in the dark,
Remaining oblivious, on purpose,
Completely missing the mark,

Of the unacceptability, reality, and hostility of the 'ISMs'.

From the dawn of time,
Prejudiced against colour, origin and races,
Impeccant immigrants, reverent residents blamed for crime,
Crying at the joke in reality's pale faces,
Black, Red, Yellow, Brown, all covered in grime,
The mat is mounting up from the shoved off cases,

Of the unacceptability, reality, and hostility of racISM.

Fleeing from war and distraught,
Only to be stuck in muddy bigoted legalities,
From Pogrom chambers to ones that echo of bigot,
Stopped at the synagogue, catechized for immigration 'formalities',
Ignored since time dawned, the ceaseless dusk of yellow brutalities,

Of the unacceptability, reality, and hostility of semitISM.

A racial superiority ideology, a sort of dehumanisation,
Frontal-slaughter resonating with descriptions in Anne-Frank's diary,
For decades the world's been stationary against Roma discrimination,
Whilst never has the Roma's home nor safety been stationary,
Since the beginning of A.D. shadowed over by an abomination,

Of the unacceptability, reality, and hostility of gypsyISM.

As the the children, women and men wail,
In perfect harmony with the siren,
As politicians and world leaders succeed to fail,
To feed their greed, leaving people on borders to frighten,
A world where satin-gloved tyrants, and pallid-faced bullies prevail,
A world with shoulders to cry on online, that shudder to conscience and
realization,

Of the unacceptability, reality, and hostility of ISMs.

An excerpt of the pandemonium

New Delegations. New Confrontations. New Allegations.

The delegates, ones most creditable, were chosen by the chairs of all 3 committees and secretariat- who also directed the whole night crisis. They were called upon to discuss a whole new agenda as delegates of countries different from their previous delegations.

The agenda of the committee being 'Reformation and Restructuring the Security Council' was followed by a series of crises for the delegates to tackle.

To begin with, a rudimental GSL was introduced, where all countries gave their two-cents: India came upon the podium to bash the abuse of veto power by Russia and China. Consecutively, Kenya calls out the lack of African representation and demands for more inclusivity in the UN's decision making process, stating, "Change has been made from the start but reform is still crucial "if we can't all swim together, we will sink together."

Introducing the first crisis, Taliban denotatively chants '#MeToo' referring to delegate of Kenya's inclusivity speech; wanting representation in the UNSC. The sleeves were rolled. The feathers were ruffled. The delegates were ready to rumble. Appalled by the Taliban's audacity: China's delegate screams,

"This is a serious matter, the Taliban and their allies created massacres," followed by the delegate France,

"Definitely not, exclusion of women, this goes against the policies of the UNSC."

India then speaks out, "...there is always a better option, and we don't see this as the better option. It is a complete joke and a disgrace to the UNSC and their policies, the delegate of India proposes to continue blocking the Taliban from the UNSC." Delegates of Russia, North Korea and Saudi Arabia violently shake their heads in congruence.

However, stepping out of the chaos and approaching the situation from a fresh point of view was the delegate of the USA, proposing that having the Taliban in the UNSC would give the UN more control over the terrorist organization.





NIGHT CRISIS

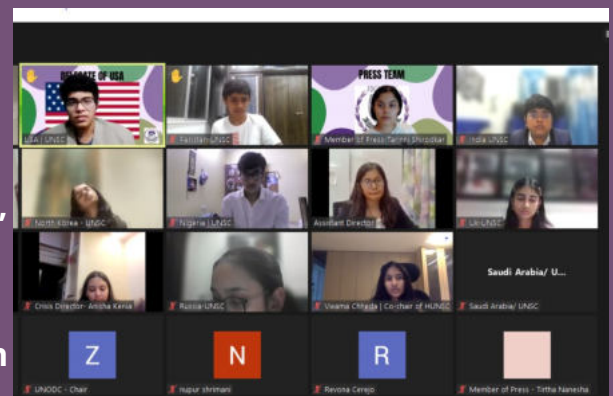
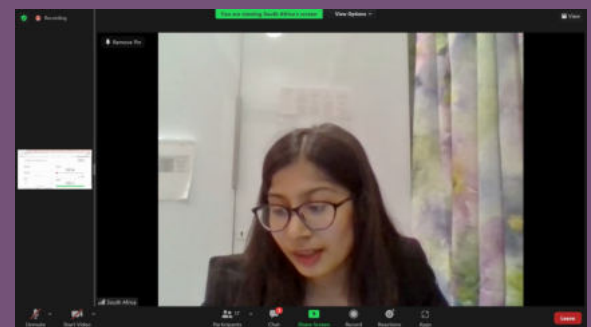
As soon as the clamoring seemed to subside, another crisis update prodded the delegates once again. This time the update came with details of hefty transactions occurring between two anonymous identities, with the coordinates of the location on the receiving end matching the coordinates of Kabul, Afghanistan.

Oiling the chaotic fire in committee was the guest delegate of South Africa and shifting the focus from Pakistan's Taliban funding, "We are sitting here in a committee with a delegate who has the nerve to disclose confidential information. Saudi Arabia. The delegate of Saudi Arabia should be removed from this council and be stripped of every right. After all, this is a security council, and do we really feel secure in these conditions?" Unsurprisingly, Saudi Arabia retorted, "This committee is truly a shame, does South Africa have any more information other than accusing the delegate of Saudi Arabia, we can play the blame game all day long but at the moment, let us get to the fact, the mole is none other than Pakistan!"

The delegates of Russia, North Korea, India, Kenya, Nigeria and Saudi Arabia all throw the delegate Pakistan down the gauntlet. Pakistan's delegate plays victim, pleading for help as they are being forced to fund the Taliban. Moreover, when grilled by the delegate of Nigeria,

"We have a question for you, delegate of Pakistan, are you saying that the Taliban had forced you 40 years ago?" This was Pakistan's reply, "at that time, we believe that they meant well in the name of Allah!"

Now if that is not the very definition of hitting the rod on your own back then what is.



SKITTLE MUNCHERS

GRAPE (PURPLE): The delegate of **China** is quite the leader, this delegate is not afraid to voice their emotions, but will kick you in the foot if you annoy them!

GREEN
APPLE(GREEN): The delegate of **Belgium** argues sensibly! They are bubbly in nature but they will not hesitate to violently skew facts into you if you are incorrect!

STRAWBERRY(PINK):
The **USA** is very outgoing and equally as gossipy! (p.s. They definitely talk about you behind your back), they also have probably had their own imaginary reality show!

CHERRY COLA(BLUE): The delegate of **North Korea** is full of surprises and witty comebacks, they are one of the only delegates that did not do any last minute research!

ORANGE
(ORANGE)
The **Chair** is generous and optimistic but they can definitely one up you if required!

WILD CHERRY(RED)
: As the name suggests, the delegate of the **Soviet Union** for sure has controversial opinions, and they are never afraid to stab you in the back!

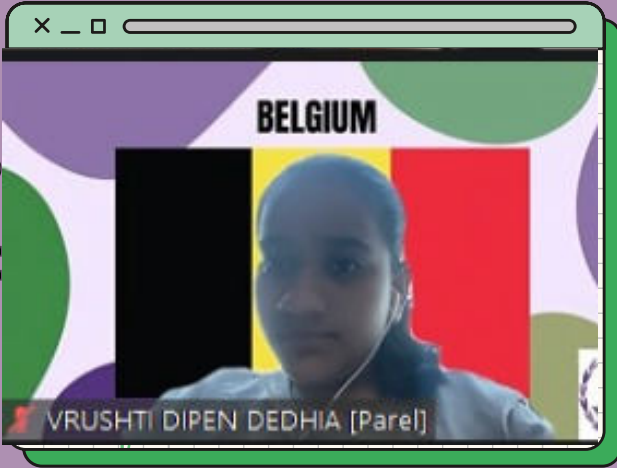
LEMON
(YELLOW): The delegate of South **Vietnam** is a pacifist, they like socializing and communism is definitely their weakness!



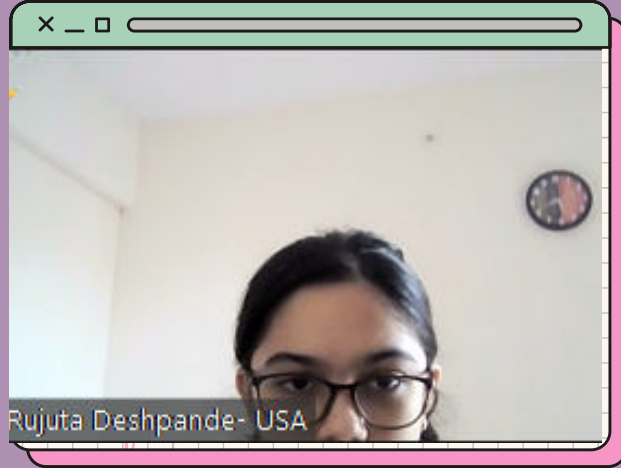
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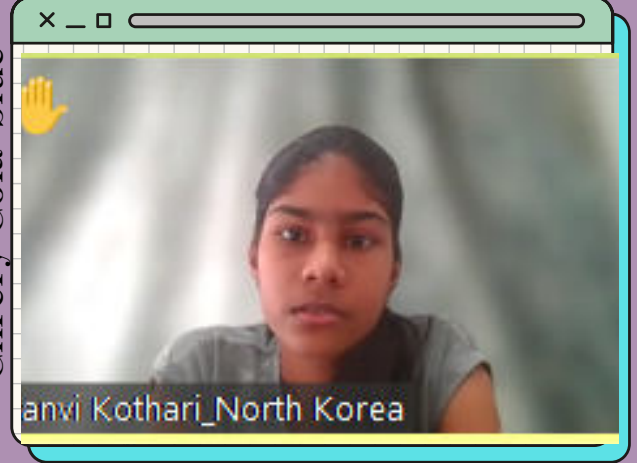
Green apple-green



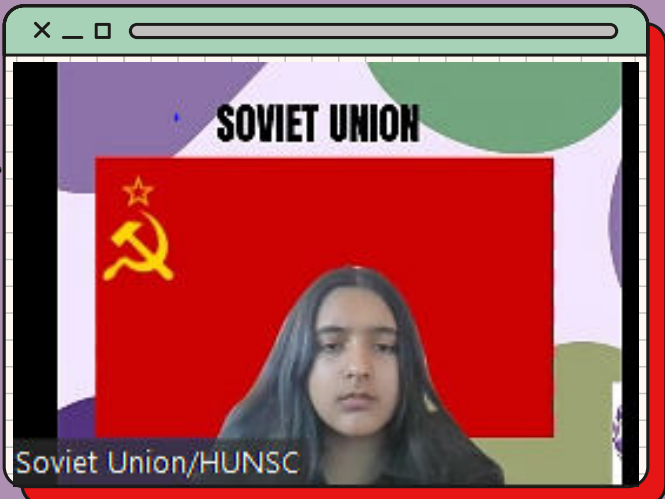
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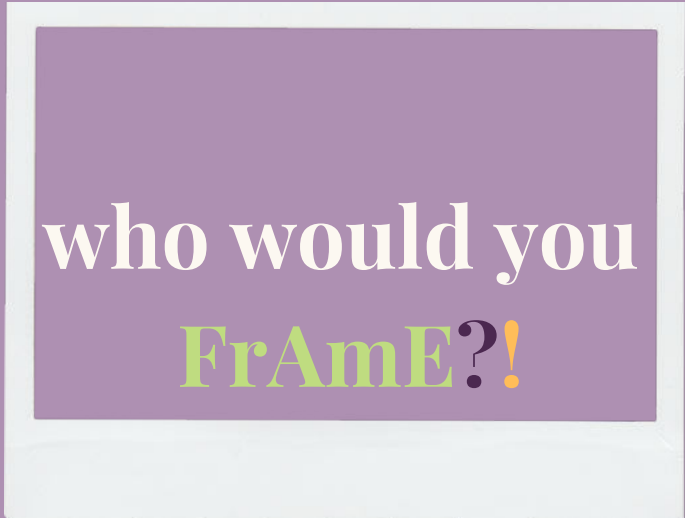
Orange-orange



Cherry Cola-blue



Wild cherry-red



Crisis over Crisis at the UNODC

~Fighting Fire with Fire

Day 2 in UNODC of the JBCN MUN starts somewhat promisingly, with delegates now getting bolder and more confident in stating their arguments and countries' positions in this OPIOID crisis.

We start off with a bang, with India wanting to finish off all the Taliban sleeper cells, resulting in them planning a preemptive strike on Afghanistan and calling all of their allied countries to help eradicate them once and for all. Yes, it went from 1 to 100 in a flash.

A moderated caucus was introduced to discuss the crisis as a whole, which was accepted. Delegates spoke up either about the accusations, about showing their support or about the vagueness of India's plan for the preemptive strike.

After a few speakers, an urgent message was brought up by the chair- Around 50 million dollars (yes, you read it right, 50 million) were provided to the Taliban today, early in the morning at 8:05 am. 25 million from Russia and 25 million from Pakistan. This sparked another crisis: The Support and Funding of the Taliban, an "extremist organisation" as stated by Myanmar. Before the SSL for the newest crisis was brought up, there was an unmoderated caucus. If we were to sum it up in one word, it'll be- Explosive. We have:

- 1. Russia defending it's honour, saying the funding is from the opium trading.**
- 2. Myanmar and Canada constantly bringing up that the funding was from Russia.**
- 3. Russia and Myanmar one-upping each other in the volume of their voice.**
- 4. Myanmar throwing their papers at the screen.**

The chair finally commanded, "Delegates Decorum."

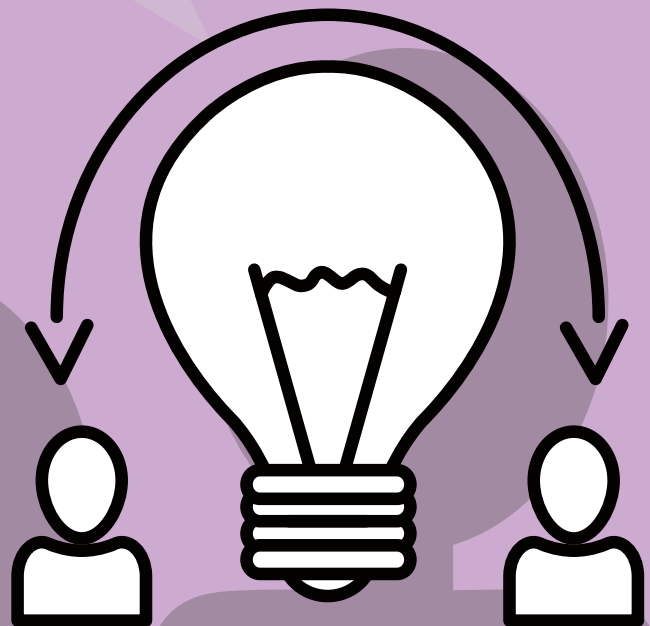
As the delegates calmed down and went into their separate rooms, alliances and new plans of action were formed. A devious strategy, by the Chair, prompted an unexpected twist.

Amidst the excitement, Russia, UK and Pakistan were to create a block, to support the Taliban communique to create havoc in India and China using opium. They were instructed to get into India using the border of Pakistan, and for the UK to get into Hong Kong using their Navy. While at first the countries were shocked at the thought of going against their allies, all eyes were soon sparkling with joy at the thought of imminent chaos.

As soon as the countries in the committee were informed of what the UK, Pakistan and Russia were about to do; the SSL was fueled by their fury. Phrases such as “killing your own citizens”, “completely betrayed us” and “extremely disappointed” were thrown around. A counteract of the UK's statement of supporting the Taliban and usage of opium to “get richer”, extremely frustrated many delegates, especially since the UK is already a well developed country.

The entirety of the SSL could be covered in this article, but it would end up extremely long and extremely tiring to read, so we'll end it with a

“Keep crying delegates, keep crying”
~Delegate of Russia




LAUGHING AWAY MUNDAY BLUES

continued...

Let's go back to talking about me now! So North Vietnam was repeatedly bombed for three years straight from March 1965 to October 1968, but they didn't back down! Just goes to show that communism is-




Let me stop you right there, yes? Before you say something that might start Vietnam War 2.



Whatever. As I was saying, the U.S realised after 1968 that bombing North Vietnam was not working out, so slowly they started to stop and reduce the number of men they were sending out into battle. Then in Paris, May 1968 talk of peace began!



In January 1973, a peace treaty was signed by the United States, North Vietnam, South Vietnam, and the Viet Cong. It provided for the complete withdrawal of U.S. troops within 60 days and created a political process for the peaceful resolution of the conflict in the south.



That wasn't the end of the war though!



Unfortunately, France is correct- that's a new one. There was still bad blood between the North and South, and by late 1974 it was decided victory could only be decided through some more fighting. In 1975 the North launched into violent battle and the South was forced to retreat.



The South got it's troops together but was too late to fight back. By April 1975 the North had succeeded and communism was at large!



Don't mind the history lesson, Vietnam loves talking about itself.



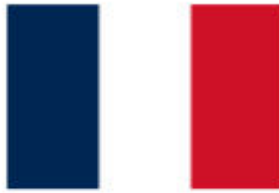
Yeah Vietnam thinks it's super great a war happened on its grounds and doesn't miss a chance to talk about it.



But-



Bye Vietnam



Bye!



But I haven't even started on the Cold war yet! Guys! wait!



Bye Vietnam!



INTERVIEW WITH: THE DELEGATE OF THE SOVIET UNION

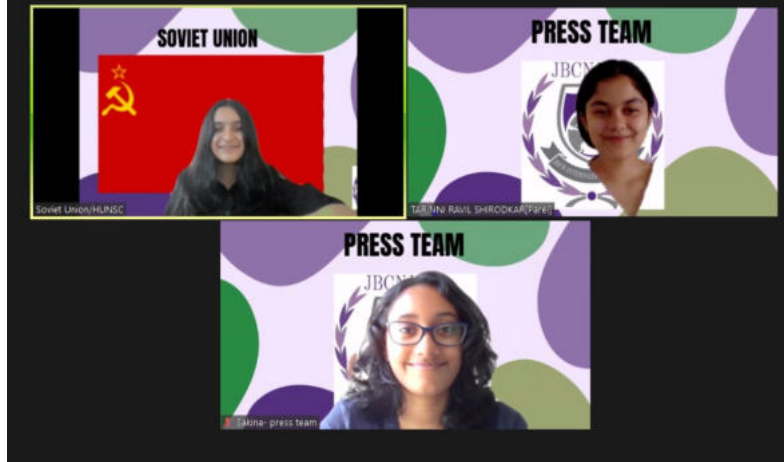
Q:What according to you would be the biggest consequence of the Vietnam war to your country?

A:To the Soviet Union, a threat of the USA, invading our territories.



Q:Who at the moment is the delegate of the Soviet Unions biggest ally and why?

A:The delegate's biggest ally, at the moment is China. China abides by similar beliefs as the Soviet Union. The delegate believes that China is using their brains and gives valid points.



Q:If there is a country who the delegate would want to make their ally but they aren't already, who would it be?

A:Probably North Vietnam.

Q:From the events of today, what point of the delegate do you think made the most impact?

A:All of them, because they made sense. But the biggest one has to be during the crisis when the delegate stated to the whole committee to say it was stupid to not call out US for killing 40,00 people in the bombing and the exploitations of the Vietminh.

What Type Of A MUNer Are You?

Choose a Medium to Communicate

- a** Blasting the Mic **b** The Chat box
- c** Chits **d** Email

Choose an item of clothing

- a** a plain, grey T-shirt **b** blazer
- c** a sweater **d** a tie

Choose your go to MUN phrase

- a** order!
order!
order! **b** *proceeds to type the answer in the chat*
- c** Motion to enter unmoderated caucus **d** point of information

MOSTLY A: The Quiet MUNer
MOSTLY B: The Bold MUNer
MOSTLY C: The Serious MUNer
MOSTLY D: The Karen

It's all Jokes and MUN

WHEN COMMITTEE GETS MUNDANE

Sorry in advance for any mental damage caused by the degree of lameness of these jokes.

- What did one delegate say to the other delegate when the UK stepped out of committee? *'BREXIT!'*
- What did Vietnam say to the USA when they were attacked? That's not *phunny*.
- Why did Vietnam raise a point of personal privilege against the USA? Because the USA sent *nukes*.
- What do you call a delegate that delivers a speech with multiple factual inaccuracies? Wikipedia's *MUN*bassador.

SOVIET UNION, CHINA AND THE USA: A DRAMATIC PRODUCTION

Debates during MUN are never boring. If someone isn't being told off then they are probably having facts and statistics shoved into their face. Here is a great example of that:

To begin, the delegate of China points out that the USA mostly talks about agriculture in their resolutions document. Then they mention "The US wants neutral nations involved, why would neutral nations want to join a war when they are- get this- neutral? A lot of the clauses were redundant too. If the delegate of the US doesn't have basic grammatical skills how can they be expected to help a whole nation?"

The delegate of the USA, angry and annoyed announces, "I find it ironic. In the communists document they have mentioned (in the first clause, sub-clause B) that North Vietnam will follow communism and South Vietnam will follow democracy. But in a discussion prior to this, one of the delegates of the communist party clearly stated that when the US troops would leave the country there would be no communism. And then they call me out for grammatical errors!"

The delegate of the Soviet Union, looking fierce and ready to fight begins, "so sorry, but the delegate of the Soviet Union was not aware that farmers should be sent to the United Nations Security Council from now, because whatever issues have been tackled so far by the delegate of the US have all been about agriculture. What about education and healthcare? And the US has made such a vague resolution document that it should not even be discussed in committee because, in fact, it discusses nothing. No one ever said the spread of communism spreads war! What spreads war is the blindness of the US and it's terrible document!"

The debate ends there but the drama doesn't. Four nations come together for a 2v2 for three minutes, the four are the Soviet Union and ally China versus USA and South Vietnam.

China- find it funny that of all the questions we have asked the USA, only 90% are unanswered .

Soviet Union- The delegate of the US is truly a pro at dodging questions. The committee should clap at the skill the delegate displays! Does the delegate actually believe that planted crops will give Vietnam economic stability?

USA- You really think people will live in communism? Have you ever thought that people don't want communism?

Soviet Union- have you not read the agenda? The North wants communism!

USA- And how do you know?

Soviet Union- AND HOW DO I KNOW? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!

Unintelligible arguing

Soviet Union- democracy is wanted by the south. We respect it. Your draft, on the other hand, mentions nothing.

USA- it's very well mentioned that we want democracy and communism.

Soviet Union- none of that has been mentioned! Delegate, if you don't know how to write resolutions then don't write them!

loud, angry un-understandable argument

Soviet Union- even your ally, South Vietnam won't help you! They aren't talking at all!

USA- They have technical issues!

Soviet Union- Sure thing. Your paper is redundant in every way, shape and form. That's a fact.

USA- no it's not!

Soviet Union- your paper is the biggest joke! It should be tabled

USA- no! Your's should!

(p.s. The 2v2 went on a couple seconds extra because- believe it or not- it is quite hard to stop angry, screaming delegates from yelling at each other)

Chatting with the Chairs

1. What was your first MUN like?

Kavya (Chair of UNODC): My first mun was a JBCN MUN. I was at the UNSC for the first day. I didn't speak much, but on the second day I made a speech. However, the speech was so bad that the chair took me out and I felt so bad that I actually cried! So I took the right to reply and made the chair apologise.

Woah gutsy for a first-timer

Raissa (Chair of SOCHUM): It was my first time and it was a senior MUN conference- UNSC discussing the South-China sea and I was the delegate of China. I was shaking the whole time! It was a total chaos...we didn't know what ROP (Rules of Procedure) was.

all first-timers totally relate

By the end everyone in committee was against us and we ended up vetoing our own resolution! Basically chaotic yet such a great learning experience that kind of boosted my confidence in terms of public-speaking.

2. How do you handle first timers as chairs in committee?

Raissa (Chair of SOCHUM): From my experience, the main thing delegates lack is confidence because everything seems very new and complicated, so how I deal with them is to make them well informed with feedback along with prior one-on-one sessions to answer questions. I also try to be friendly and lenient so as to not pressurize them too much.

Gayatri (Chair of HUNSC): I usually ask everyone to introduce themselves-break the ice. It is really important to know the ROP so as the MUN goes on I gradually explain the rules rather than all in one sitting. Also, if delegates make mistakes I correct them. However, many times I've come across first-timers performing extremely well in committee so that's surprising sometimes.

3. Online MUN can get still and tiresome at times. So, how do you spice up the committee once you realize half your delegates have leisurely switched off their cameras and are not actively participating?

Gayatri (Chair of HUNSC): In the beginning it is really exciting and everyone's involved but in the second-half after a break, everyone just seemed tired. So, most chairs use this trick to make quiet delegates speak in moderated caucuses- 'by chair's discretion' so the delegate has to speak even involuntarily. After using this a couple times, delegates get accustomed to speaking in committee so they automatically volunteer to give speeches later.

Raissa (Chair of SOCHUM): I, personally, speed up the committee by introducing a crisis or coming in as a guest delegate and give a very provocative speech. I try to call out as many delegates present into that speech so they begin to listen and counteract.

Kavya (Chair of UNODC) : Sometimes the committee gets slow and boring if someone with a delegation crucial to the agenda is missing. It gets really tough then, so I usually introduce a crisis too, or the best is to push the delegates off their chair by giving extremely aggressive speeches as guest delegate.

basically provoke the delegates so they begin speaking up

Article By: Tamanna Mehta, Ananya Ganapathy

What advice would you give beginners?

Gayatri (Chair of HUNSC): One thing I wish someone told me when I went for my first MUN was that you can't be wrong as long as you're following your foreign policy, no matter how crazy or obscene it is-if you follow it you're already a good MUNner because you're doing what MUN expects of you. Which is why you should know your foreign policy in and out. Another tip is to read books about world politics because when you're giving impromptu speeches it all comes back as it is information that you remember for longer and so it's sure to impress the chairs.

Some book recommendations: How They Rule the World: The 22 Secret Strategies of Global Power by Pedro Bañosare and World Order by Henry Kissinger.

Raissa (Chair of SOCHUM) : Yes, my advice would be somewhat similar too, keep yourself updated with world news all the time not only before your MUN. Personally, I would tell them to stick through it however overwhelming and new. But, do not give up, give it a couple more chances and you're surely going to begin getting a thrill out of it. Also, be confident, trust your hardwork and it will help your ability to negotiate and persuade delegates to join your bloc etc. But most of all, enjoy it. If you don't enjoy it'll be really hard to cope up and get a fruitful experience out of it.

Kavya: Have a strong first speech-it really sets your confidence and makes the chair notice you in committee. Secondly, research on your delegation's foes. Know their flaws so you can question them in committee and call them out so the chair definitely notices you.

The first MUN is universally a chaotic experience but, why should you keep doing MUN?

Gayatri (Chair of HUNSC): One of my first MUNs was a really bad experience, I cried on the way home. But here I am today chairing several MUNs. The thing is, the initial shock wears off quickly- and I realised I wasn't actually that bad, there were fun moments in between and there were moments I surprised myself. Don't let the difficulty be the thing you use to define MUNs.

Raissa (Chair of Sochum): I'd say that it is completely unnecessary for the first MUN to be a good experience-it can be bad, it can be just ok. But, I advise them to just trust the process, do 2-3 more MUNs and then decide whether to continue or not, because during the first one you're completely clueless and only by the end of it do you understand how it works. But it is the first MUN that teaches you so much, not only academically but also about yourself too.

Kavya (Chair of UNODC): It is ok to be called by the chair or to give a bad speech the first time, it happens to everyone. So setting a goal in your mind and being persistent is what will get you through the bad phases of MUN. When I first started I wanted to give up too, but I had a very encouraging, pro-active group of friends that pressured me into doing more MUNs and I gradually became better at it. Trust the process, that's all.

that's the first example of peer pressure I've seen with good cause and effect

Closing Ceremony!

“A time to bid goodbye, and a time to say hello!”

And just like that, MUN is at its end! The past two days have been exciting and fun-filled. Snide remarks on opposing countries and loud, passionate speeches filled so much of this time. Closing ceremonies are always filled with bittersweet longing for the time we spent working to never end, and this one was no exception.

Ayaan Bearingwala, the host began by welcoming the principal, faculty, the Press Team and delegates. He talked about how great it was to see delegates come up with resolutions and ideas.

They then welcomed the deputy principal, Mr. Janos Oreg who gave a few motivational words, “I was in some of the sessions and saw the energy.” He told us of an experience he had recently too, “I called a friend of mine up to chat and I proudly mentioned that we had MUN this weekend. He knew something about MUN and said it was lovely that kids were playing with politics and having fun with it too. So I gave him a 45 min explanation about how it's not just a game but so much more. Rest assured,” said he to his friend, “That what's happening in MUN is a very serious task and initiative.”

Post that, Mr. Devi Netto, our principle agreed with Mr. Oreg that MUN was not a game and that it could teach you some valuable and important skills. “I'm really proud of all of you for this wonderful weekend,” He added, “After tense conversations, debates, lots of negotiations and hours of sharpening important skills, you will realize that this is and will be very important.” To conclude he said, “I know you had a hard week and will have hard weeks but thanks for dedicating this one to MUN.”

The secretary general spoke then, congratulating everyone who participated. “It was an overwhelming and superb experience.” That we can all agree with.

Now, for what you have all been waiting for, the awards!

UNSC-

Winner for best speaker- delegate of China
Best delegate- delegate of Soviet union

UNODC-

Verbal Mention- delegate of Pakistan
Best delegate- delegate of Myanmar
Special mention- delegate of Afghanistan

SOCHUM-

Best delegate- delegate of Pakistan
Verbal mention-delegate of Myanmar
Special mention-delegate of USA
High commentating-delegate of Saudi Arabia

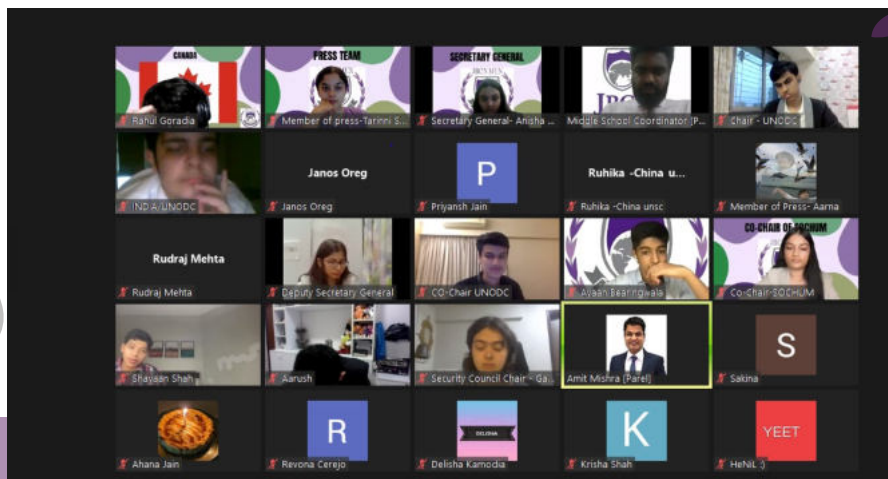
NIGHT CRISIS-

Best delegate-delegate of Nigeria
Special delegate-delegate of USA

Finally, the secretary general announces, “By the power vested in me as secretary general I declare MUN 2021 closed!”
dramatic gravel bang

And with that we bid you farewell! This MUN has had it's up and downs, but in the end, like all things, it worked out.

Closing Ceremony!



Credits!

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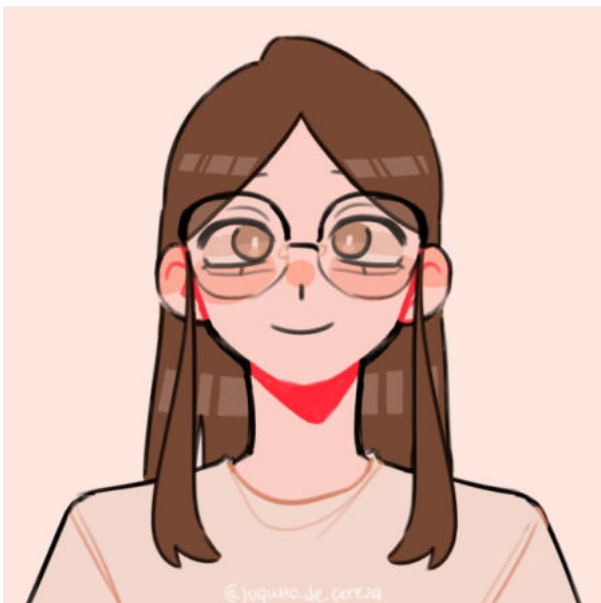
TAMANNA MEHTA

- "The only show I binged this weekend was Fifty shades of Dark Circles."
(WRITER, LAYOUT, EDITOR- HEAD OF PRESS)



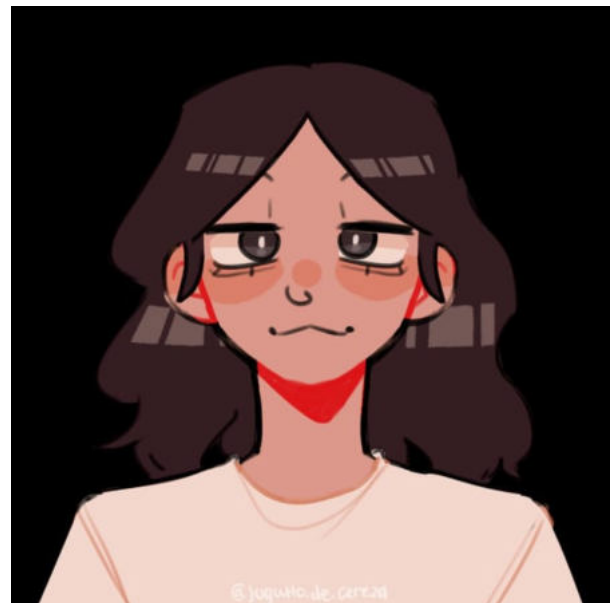
TARINNI SHIRODKAR

- "Welcome to the real world! It sucks but you're gonna love it!"-(Monica Geller)
(WRITER, LAYOUT)



TIRTHA NANESHA

- "Is butter a carb?"
(WRITER, LAYOUT)



AARNA AMBERKAR

- "That's my secret captain, I'm always stressed."
(WRITER)



AIYANA RUNGTA

- "Putting my mental health before my education is a good idea until it effects my education which effects my mental health which effects my education "

(LAYOUT, WRITER, DEPUTY HEAD OF PRESS)



ANANYA GANAPATHY

- "Hi I'm Ananya. I make jokes when I'm uncomfortable." (Chandler Bing)

(ILLUSTRATOR, WRITER)



SAKINA ELECTRICWALA

- "Non fiction is for losers who can't handle the real world!
Oh wait... Got that mixed up."

(WRITER)