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Message From The Director General

Dear MUNners,

Can you guess the similarity between Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther King Jr, Mahatma Gandhi and Nelson Mandela? All of these had the fire in them to change the world and make it a better place for all. And this fire can be inculcated in each and every individual if his energy is channelized in the right way. SPMMUN is one such forum where we would like to inculcate that zeal to transform the world, that fire to inspire others and that dedication to work selflessly. Here, we aim to ignite the fire of revolution in the leaders of the future.



Ask yourself, "If I could change the world, what would I do?" and test your answer here. SPMMUN is the platform where you have to experiment with your limitations, boundaries and expectations. Swami Vivekananda once said, "Take up one idea. Make that one idea your life-think of it, dream of it, live on that idea. Let the brain, muscles, nerves and every part of your body, be full of that idea and just leave every other idea alone. This is the way to revolution."

On this note, I bid adieu from you, so that you ponder upon your ideas and experiments.

Amreen Kohli

Message From The International Press Head

Greetings!

On behalf of the entire International Press team, I welcome you all to Sat Paul Mittal Model United Nations 2015 (SPMMUN'15).

For the past fortnight, as the Organizing Committee (OC) joined hands to ensure a smooth conference, the Executive Board (EB) members compiled the Background Guides and delegates searched and researched every tiny bit of information that can possibly make or



break their position during debate. We, the International Press (IP) team jointly worked day and night to unearth information that has made this newsletter. We wish to make this newsletter a collection of myriad moments of SPMMUN'15 and not just a transcript of the debates.

Having participated in various conferences over the previous years, I come with a word of advice for you all delegates, especially the newbies- it is not important to be an eloquent orator as to be a smart and wise speaker. Speak less but when you do, your thoughts should leave a mark on every brain listening to you.

We hope that the following three days fill our pages with not only facts, explanations and solutions, but also with the stomach-tickling humor.

Good Luck!

Sarabjeet Singh

Diary Page of an MUN-er

-By Muskan Bakhshi

I gobbled my breakfast quickly and gulped own my coffee hoping that food, my one true love, would calm my growing nervousness but to my disappointment, it didn't work. Today is my first day at the MUN conference. I have been preparing for this conference for the past one month. I want this conference to go perfectly so I triple checked if my equipment was there, if my General Speakers List (GSL) speech was grammatically correct and if my tie matched my shirt. My committee was United Nations Security Council, one of the toughest committee in the United Nations so I wanted to be fully prepared to nail it.

I hurriedly collected all my stuff and stepped out of the hotel, only to see that my bus was leaving. I shouldn't have spent an hour and a half getting ready after all! So, I broke into a run to catch up and tripped as I entered the bus. Not a good start to the day. As I took my seat, being the day dreamer that I am, I started imagining myself in the committee; how I am debating with a forceful voice, how the Executive Board is super impressed by my research and how the food is going to be super delicious. My thought bubble was busted as my fellow delegate smacked me on my head saying that we had arrived.

As I got down from the bus I was dazzled by the number of delegates that were attending and the colourful display of flags of all countries on the school walls. I made my way to the auditorium where the Secretary General gave a long speech and it was accompanied by a lovely dance performance. Finally, I made my way to the committee hall where some of the delegates were already discussing the agenda. I introduced myself and joined their discussions. The level of knowledge they possessed was absolutely brilliant! The Executive Board arrived and with introduction, the General Speaker's List followed. My name was the first to present, making me nervous once again. But as I started to speak I gained confidence and ended but delivering the great speech which the Executive board seemed like. I am really pleased with myself and now I sign out for today!



United Nations General Assembly

-By Muskaan Gill

UKRAINE

"The Disarmament Conference has become the focal point of a great struggle between anarchy and world order... between those who think in terms of inevitable armed conflict and those who seek to build a universal and durable peace", a beautiful quote by Arthur Henderson that informs us how disarmament has become a pivotal topic of discussion. The agenda for the Disarmament and International Security Council (DISEC) is international cooperation in peaceful uses of outer space which deals with disarmament and encloses all the questions related to International security.

The Committee session today was filled with enthusiasm and instantly which started with the General Speakers List (GSL), in which a lot of delegates participated. Each delegate was eagerly participating and was enjoying the debate. The GSL was followed by the Moderated Caucus. The delegate of DPRK and India were overenthusiastic and brought glory. The delegate of Canada and Singapore were appreciated a lot in the committee by the co-delegates as we heard lot of banging the desk while their speeches.

Having established a good rapport with their co-delegates as well as the Executive Board, the delegates had much more poise in them to-day. Day 2 had better deliberation than day 1. The IP hopes that the level of deliberation escalates as we roll on to the next frontier.



From a Reporter's point of view...

-By Sayesha Aggarwal

My entire batch has been to one or the other MUN and I have been the only one lacking the experience. So, I grabbed the first opportunity I got to attend an MUN. Here I am in an unknown school, an unknown corridor, making my way towards the auditorium where the opening ceremony is to be held. A colossally large school and the largest hall, such beauty and so many people, and the intimidating executive board, I stand at the end of the aisle confused as where to sit. The ceremony starts with the long and boring Secretary General's speech, but who can blame him- it is his hour to be in the limelight. The hip-hop is good, I agree, but there is such uproar in the hall that every step feels out of beat.

After the ceremony I go to find some water, obviously getting lost in the process. "To heck with thirst", I think, and head back towards the auditorium only to find it empty and everybody gone. "Great, now where is my Committee?!" I reach my committee late *but koi fayeda he nahi hua*. I try to be as quiet as possible, but as soon as I reach my desk, my folder falls and my chair makes an obnoxious screeching noise. The entire hall turns to look at me, "Way to embarrass yourself, dude!" Debaters are almost asleep; the Delegate who is speaking now speaks like a hundred years old man.



The first day is almost over but I am yet to find a date for tomorrow night. After the snack break ends, I hope for better results in the second Committee session. The debaters are refreshed but for me the discussions act like a lullaby. My eyes droop slowly and I yawn but I try to keep myself awake, "C'mon, you have to complete your Committee report!" I am almost asleep when a chit is passed my way.

Delegate Interviews...

Delegate of Japan (UNHRC):

- Q. What is the best part about the SPMMUN?
- A. The Delegate of UK (Arman Bansal).
- Q. Any comments?
- A. The second day was so much better!

The chair was much relaxed compared to the first day and the aroma was much cooler.



Delegate of Algeria (UNHRC)

- Q. What is the best part about the SPMMUN?
- A. The pagers- especially the one in the white dress in the HRC.
- Q. Any comments?
- A. The girls need to relax about Kabeer Kler.



Human Rights Council

-By Sayesha Aggarwal

"Walk away from every vicious act. Never look back."
— Lailah Gifty Akita, *Beautiful*

Quotes

The agenda that the United Nations Human Resource Council (UNHRC) has taken up is "violation of Human Rights with special emphasis on women." The Declaration of Human Rights in the UN Charter states that all human beings are equal in dignity and rights. All human beings are entitled to all the rights and duties set forth in the Declaration, without any distinction. However, the violation of these rights has become a daily intrusion on the dignity of



people in all parts of the world. Women are considered as a particularly vulnerable group of the society. So, the UNHRC has convened a meeting to discuss these Human Rights violations and draft solutions for them.

In the committee sessions, several delegates set forth points which formed a very crucial part of the debates and discussions. The delegate of Japan gave a potent speech about the importance of human rights and their violation in different parts of the world. The Delegate of Maldives made a very lasting impact on the MUNners with his speech, while the Delegate of Mexico earned applause from the Debaters with his commanding words. The Delegate of Nigeria left a lasting impact on the Delegates with her words, and her debate with the Delegate of Korea made up a very important of the



Committee discussion. The Delegate of Macedonia gave real life examples, including that of Mary Kom, so make her point.

Compared to the first day, the deliberations in the UNHRC were much fierier and worth an applause. The results of today's meetings are extremely important from the global point of view. The IP expects that the delegates will continue to take effective part in the debate and the results will be even more impactful.

The United Nations Security Council

-Live from committee by Muskan Bakhshi

Today UNSC got animated! The committee began calmly with all the delegates starting with their GSL speeches. The Moderated Caucus on the topic, "The displacement of civilians due to Boko Haram's Activities" brought about some really strong points from the Delegates of Chad, Russia and Angola who stressed upon giving refugee status to people displaced to other states and establishing refugee with good sanitation and health facilities to aid the displaced citizens.

Things got interesting when an Un-moderated Caucus motion was passed which rapidly descended to an informal session with the Executive Board opening the 'Confession Box'. Love was in the air as the International Press reporter got four proposals accompanied by a lot of hooting and blushing. The delegate dinner was the highlight of the discussions with confessions as fascinating as 'Delegate dance mein khane ko kya hai?' and 'the delegate of China already has a date stop asking him out, ask Spain instead.'

Things finally got on track again as the next Moderated Caucus on the topic 'Solutions to counter Boko Haram' got passed. Spain presented the point of need for global organizations to provide war bonds to finance Nigeria. U.K, sleeping at first to the point where the EB had to call his name twice to get his





attention, talked about International cooperation. China gave the point of strengthening porous borders of Nigeria and Angola talked about increasing security at oil refineries to protect from Boko Haram's exploitation. Overall the discussions were much better than yesterday with a lot of strong points and some really interesting moments. Hopefully tomorrow's session will be even better!

Know Your IP...

IP DIRECTOR: MS. SWASTIKA KHOSLA



After completing her dissertation on 'Existential Depression', Ms Swastika joined the SPM team as an English teacher in March 2015. With the aim to impart quality education and promote creativity amongst students, she hopes she contributes to the fullest as the IP teacher incharge as well! She says; "MUN is an interesting platform to sensitise the youth to global issues and to help them find a solution to global problems".

Happy MUN-ing and Happy Reading :D

IP HEAD: SARABJEET SINGH



Sarabjeet Singh is pursuing his Bachelor's in Mathematics from Sri Guru Teg Bahadur Khalsa College, Delhi University. He has been a part of 20+ Model United Nations (MUNs) conferences in various capacities. He believes that International Press (IP) is an integral part of any MUN and he toils to give every member an opportunity to discover and immaculate the strengths and the abilities to give their thoughts a powerful medium to express through words.

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF: SAYESHA AGGARWAL



A perfect combination of smart, funny and stubborn, Sayesha is the editor-in-chief of the International Press for the SPM-MUN '15. Whether it is demolishing opponents in table tennis, stretching her vocal cords in her tuneful voice or wielding the paintbrush like a maestro she is ready to dedicate herself in presenting the maiden edition of the newsletter. When asked about the MUN she voiced out her excitement for meeting new delegates, the scrumptious food and the delegate dance



Taking a break from her love affair with books Muskan is all set to be one of the most enthusiastic journalists for the SPM-MUN '2015. She is obsessed with traveling, reading and playing guitar. She believes that the MUN is going to be a 'rollercoaster ride full of fiery intellectual discussions and a witty display of humor'.



Ms. Cheerful and energetic, Muskaan Gill is a valuable addition to the set of journalists for the SPM-MUN '15. A brilliant painter, avid reader and a movie buff she is ready to put on the creative cap and put out a stunning newsletter. In her words, "I'm expecting the MUN to be quite interesting as it will be a good learning experience and will be a chance for me to improve my communication skills".



To get this hyper and over energetic guy to settle down and spill his message was a task, so after many takes, we present to you Raghav Kharbanda, journalist for the SPM-MUN '15. To sieve through his many talents that include playing violin, remaining glued to his beloved kindle and experimenting with laws of physics like a mad scientist was indeed an interesting talk. In his one-of-kind words "the MUN is going to a be like a cricket match- people who know everything those who know nothing will be blended together in a mix of good food, lots of yelling and a lot of snapchats"



The most cheerful, Yashodha Dandona of Sacred Heart Convent School is the cartoonist in the SPM MUN. She likes to play football and loves to dance. She is an extrovert and loves to make friends. She has very good commination skills. She is a professional artist who has brought laurels to her school by winning various prizes in state level competitions. She has an overwhelming experience in MUN-ing. Her message for the MUN is—Take up one idea. Make that one idea your life-think of it, dream of it, live on that idea. Be full of that idea and leave every other idea alone. All the very best to all the delegates. Have fun and enjoy!!



Saksham Munjal is a science lover. Mechanics is in his blood. He plays games both on real field as well as on consoles. He is a true sportsperson and a hardcore gamer. He is a guitarist too. Theatre and Astronomy are his passion. He is also a part time Philosopher. He will be serving as photographer using his precision skills which come from stargazing.



Talkative, bubbly and oh-so creative Aditi is the brilliant art prodigy who will be conjuring the utterly hilarious cartoons for the SPM-MUN '15. She is a multi-talented person whose hobbies include singing, playing basketball and sketching.



The most talkative person of the IP team, Namish Budhiraja is a tenth grade student at SPM. His hobbies include football, photography and badminton. This is his first MUN. He shall serve as the photographer.



We introduce you all to the most sweet person who has a mind which is open to everyone but attached to nothing. He wishes his best luck to the SPMMUN team and hopes all the delegates bridge up the gaps of diplomatic relations and make this conference a success.



Ishaan Jain is a grade twelve student of SHCS, Sarabha Nagar, whose hobbies are swimming, photography, cricket, video editing and learning about new technology.

He is an extrovert who loves to socialize. He shall serve as the photographer.













































