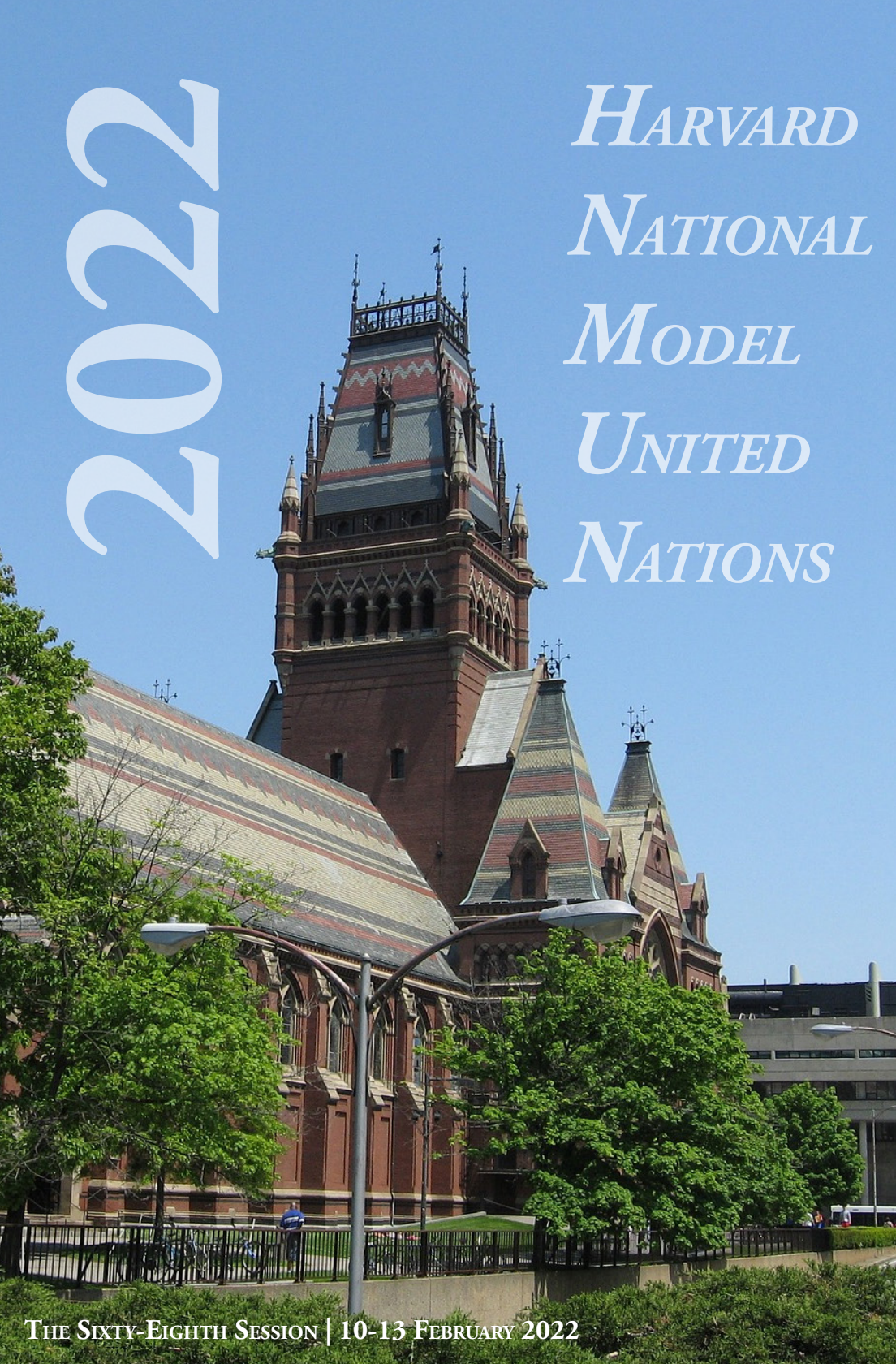


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Please do not send mail correspondence to HNMUN's physical address, as we are not present at our office due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Until further notice, HNMUN will not be able to accept payment by check for the 2022 conference.

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The Secretariat cordially invites you ...

Harvard National Model United Nations (HNMUN) takes pride in being the largest, oldest, and most prestigious continuously-running collegiate Model United Nations conference of its kind in the world. Staffed entirely by Harvard College undergraduates, HNMUN is committed to excellence—excellence in substantive debate, in providing enriching opportunities for delegates to discuss some of the world's most pressing issues; excellence in representation, in inviting thousands of delegates from colleges and universities around the U.S. and across the globe; and excellence in pedagogy, in enabling delegates to develop skills in negotiation, diplomacy and communication. At our sixty-eighth annual session, we hope to continue our long-standing tradition of excellence. The session is planned to be held in person from Thursday, 10 February through Sunday, 13 February 2022.

Throughout the conference, delegates will gain insight into the workings of the United Nations by actively participating in the resolution of important global issues. Participants will not only work with hundreds of other motivated college students with the common goal of furthering international awareness and building consensus, but will also interact within a lively social setting. In this year especially, HNMUN is an important forum for delegates all over the world to connect and debate, despite the challenges of the ongoing pandemic. While prioritizing health and safety, we are still excited to offer our usual level of substantive excellence for all attendees.

*... to join us for the 68th Annual Session of
Harvard National Model United Nations.*

THE HNMUN PHILOSOPHY

The drafters of the United Nations charter in June of 1945 envisioned an organization that would transcend international boundaries and serve as a forum for cooperation as a preeminent unifying force on the global stage. HNMUN is held each year in this same spirit.

HNMUN strives to ensure both breadth and depth in our committee offerings. We hope that all delegates can find a topic that they are passionate about, and we ensure that that topic will be debated with comprehensive, educational rigor. Our directors work tirelessly both before and throughout the conference to make debate as realistic as possible so that our delegates get a sense of the complexities of real-world international negotiation. And, as with the real United Nations, *we strive to place an emphasis on cooperation and compromise rather than on the supremacy of any one country's position.* In this way, each delegate gets a chance to learn about not only current international affairs and a particular nation's policies, but also how to keep to that position while working with tens or hundreds of other delegates in committee.

Our conference brings nearly seven decades of experience and staff that always exhibit the highest levels of enthusiasm and professionalism both before and during conferences. For Model UN veterans and novices alike, HNMUN provides a unique and rewarding experience.

WHY HNMUN?

SUBSTANTIVE EXCELLENCE

Our staff of over 150 Harvard undergraduates dedicate themselves to genuine substantive excellence. Over the past months, HNMUN's Directors have written over 1,000 pages in background guides and other research documents, and they will come into committee with the wealth of knowledge necessary to facilitate constructive debate. Our utmost priority is to ensure each delegate feels prepared and well-versed in their topic, and our directors are dedicated to that ideal.

SIZE & DIVERSITY

Every year, HNMUN draws over 2,000 participants from colleges across the United States and the globe. Despite the virtual format, HNMUN 2021 attracted over 1500 delegates from over 40 countries. Looking forward, HNMUN 2022 plans to continue to grow and build upon the diversity of our conference. We believe that our diversity is an integral part of the HNMUN spirit and it embodies our commitment to emulating the reality of the global community.

TRADITION & INNOVATION

Founded only a decade after the creation of the United Nations, HNMUN is the oldest simulation of its kind and the product of years of gradual refinement. Each year's session of HNMUN builds on the successes of the last, resulting in a continually improving delegate experience. HNMUN is thus founded upon a solid tradition but never ceases to innovate, and the 2022 conference will be no exception. This session will see the continuation of single-topic committees, blog committee updates, and our fifth delegation award, the Outstanding Small Delegation. More details will be posted to our website and conference materials.

DELEGATE & FACULTY RESOURCES

HNMUN puts together each year a wide range of resources to support faculty members and delegates before as well as during their time at conference. These resources include preparation materials for faculty advisors, and an open space where faculty advisors can relax. This faculty space also provides advisors with a direct communication line to HNMUN staffers. Further, these resources are particularly designed to support international delegates, especially those that are new to Model UN. We want to equip each of our delegates with the tools they need to succeed. Our Delegate Guide is also a useful resource that outlines expectations for our delegates and provides guidance on how to best prepare for conference.

EXCITING SOCIAL EVENTS

Our conference is an unique, unparalleled opportunity to meet delegates from schools and universities around the world, and as such we are dedicated to providing a myriad of opportunities for delegates to meet and interact with new faces or to catch up with friends from past conferences. Our offerings at HNMUN 2022 will include Delegate Dance, Model Casino Night, International Bazaar, tours of Harvard's campus, and more! Additionally, as our staff is composed entirely of Harvard undergraduates, we ourselves hope to also serve as a resource to talk about life in Boston and places/destinations to visit for while you're in the city.

CONFERENCE STRUCTURE

As we uphold our 67 years of tradition at the 68th Annual Session, we also look forward to the future as we continue our commitment to providing a unique delegate experience.

At HNMUN 2022, the structure of the conference will be as follows.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY	ECOSOC & REGIONAL BODIES	SPECIALIZED AGENCIES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nine committees • Six double-delegate • Three single-delegate (incl. Press Corps) • All UN Member States • Individual application for the Press Corps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eight committees • Three double-delegate • Five single-delegate (incl. NGO Programme) • Slots based on Country Assignment List • Individual application for NGO Programme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eight Committees • Two double-delegate • Six single-delegate • Slots assigned according to Country Assignment List • Individual application for all SA committees

COMMITTEE DYNAMICS

FOCUS	DEBATE	RESOLVE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delegates discuss how to approach the committee topic • Debate regarding topic area, either via formal debate or in unmoderated caucus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delegates hold formal and informal discussions on potential solutions • Delegates draft initial working papers to express their ideas on specific areas within the topic • Delegates introduce, debate, amend, and merge working papers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delegates introduce working papers as draft resolutions (more formal solutions on the topic) • Delegates debate and amend the draft resolutions • Voting procedure takes place, with up to one draft resolution being passed • In SA, delegates instead draft comprehensive directives

PRE-CONFERENCE RESOURCES	COMMITTEE SESSIONS
FALL 2021: Background Guides written by Committee Directors released	FEB 10: Session I (3 hours)
WINTER 2021: Committee Update Blogs written by Assistant Directors released	FEB 11: Sessions II and III (6 hours)
	FEB 12: Sessions IV and V (6 hours)
	FEB 13: Session VI (2 hours)

TYPES OF COMMITTEES

At HNMUN, our dynamic experiences are divided into four main types. From the larger General Assembly committees to the medium-sized ECOSOC & Regional Bodies to smaller Specialized Agencies, each committee type offers a unique experience for every delegate.

The General Assembly

The General Assembly committees are truly representative of the international community. With all 193 members of the United Nations represented, the GA has the unique ability to foster debate amongst all countries to ensure no state is left unheard. With the largest committees at conference, delegates get to experience debate and collaboration in an environment typical of the United Nations. Delegates discuss issues in politics, society, culture, economics, security, development, and the law. In the General Assembly, delegates will work together in the spirit of diplomacy to draft resolutions that address critical issues currently facing the global community, as well as issues it will face in the decades to come. In their efforts, delegates are assisted by the Press Corps, which provide realistic media presence and coverage at conference. The diversity of delegates and topics in the GA ensure that diplomacy, negotiation, and teamwork drive committee proceedings, resulting in a balance of power that prevents any certain countries from dominating over others.

The Economic and Social Council & Regional Bodies

The Economic and Social Council consists of committees representing specialized international bodies. The ECOSOC truly embraces diversity in terms of topics, solutions, and the countries represented. Delegates and staff alike can gain an understanding of these diverse issues through debate and the process of writing and passing resolutions. The Economic and Social Council also offers the Non-Governmental Organizations Programme, a dynamic committee experience unique to HNMUN in which delegates explore the distinct challenges that NGOs face in the real world. Delegates in the NGO Programme will be able to participate in debate in multiple committees throughout conference. The ECOSOC delegates get to experience crisis, innovative applications of technology, and incredibly substantive debate in an environment that encourages committee bonding and cooperation that come with medium-sized committees. This blend requires a type of delegate that can manage quick, articulate thinking, as well as broader strategies of long-term planning and cooperation. The Regional Bodies allow delegates to focus on important international issues as they relate to particular areas of the globe. Some of these committees are not formally part of the United Nations organizational system, and these specific differences of mandate and responsibility particular to each organization enrich and diversify debate. This year, our Regional Bodies will include the African Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. With approximately between 55 to 80 delegates in committee, they will provide the opportunity to discuss important issues in a more intimate setting and allow for greater flexibility in negotiation. These committees will engage and challenge delegates, combining the conventional debate experience with exciting and innovative presentations and crisis simulations.

The Specialized Agencies

The Specialized Agencies at HNMUN 2022 will consist of a diverse array of councils, committees, as well as groups of advisors, ministers, and lawyers seeking to solve complex problems and crises in the present, past, and future. This year, delegates will consider topics and crises that range from the Papal Schism that divided religious Europe in two to the breakup of “monolithic communism” in the Sino Soviet split. Our smaller sized committees with high delegate-to-staff ratios aim to immerse delegates in the realm of geopolitical considerations and decision-making, giving them access to the simulated tools of power and seeing what they will accomplish with it. We aim for all committees to have a high level of substantive debate as well as the dynamic crisis aspects where delegates can also shine and impact their respective challenges inside and outside the room. Furthermore, this year, the SA will also feature our first Ad-Hoc committee in a number of years, and the wild, unexpected, and out-of-this-world scenario the delegates will be dropped in will challenge their skills and wits across the board. The SA prides itself every year on offering delegates an incredibly intellectual and creative experience, and this year will be no exception.

COMMITTEES AT HNMUN 2022

<i>GENERAL ASSEMBLY</i>	<i>ECOSOC & REGIONAL BODIES</i>	<i>SPECIALIZED AGENCIES</i>
DISARMAMENT & INTERNATIONAL SECURITY COMMITTEE	AFRICAN UNION	AD-HOC COMMITTEE
SOCIAL, HUMANITARIAN, AND CULTURAL COMMITTEE	ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC	UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE	COMMISSION ON POPULAION AND DEVELOPMENT	HISTORICAL UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL
FUTURISTIC GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON DIGITAL SECURITY	EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION	INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE
UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL SUMMIT ON GLOBAL MEDIA	HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL	ARGENTINA'S 1ST ALFONSIN CABINET
UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL SUMMIT ON LANGUAGE EXTINCTION	NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION	ADVISORS TO ANTIPOPE OF AVIGNON
WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN	COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN	PRUSSIAN LANDTAG, 1848
HISTORICAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY	NGO PROGRAMME	PRC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
PRESS CORPS		

To learn more about our committees, their directors, and their exciting topics, go to the 'Committees' page on hnmun.org. You can also find our country matrix and dot sheet with all positions on the 'Information' page. Country and position preferences can be marked in your delegation's application.

SPECIAL FEATURES & INNOVATIONS

HNMUN is much more than a simulation. Building on the last 67 years of conference, we continue our legacy as a trailblazer of the Model UN circuit, both inside and outside our committee spaces.

SOCIAL VENTURE CHALLENGE



The Resolution Project is an international organization whose mission is to “to develop socially responsible young leaders and empower them to make a positive impact today,” and is also our conference partner. HNMUN’s Positive Impact Team works with the Resolution Project to host the Social Venture Challenge, a competition where HNMUN delegates form teams and create proposals for actual social projects to better their local communities. Winners typically receive seed funding and strong advisory support to carry out their ventures. Having successfully developed an online adaptation of the SVC last year during HNMUN 2021, our team is excited to return to the in-person format.

THE PRESS CORPS



The Press Corps will be returning to HNMUN 2022, celebrating its 13th year of existence at conference. Individual delegates and delegates attending with delegations will have the option of applying directly for the Press Corps to enrich the committee experience. Press Corps delegates will have the opportunity to participate in committee press conferences, produce live news reports, and contribute to website and social media platforms that will be read by delegates across the conference. This year, Press Corps will see a new emphasis on multimedia publications and the introduction of fake news to simulate the complexities of the modern press. The Press Corps blog site will continue to be used by delegates to display their publications throughout conference.

INTERNATIONAL BAZAAR



Every year, HNMUN has the privilege of hosting a number of international delegations from all over the world, with more than 40 nations represented in a typical year. In keeping with the spirit of the global reach of our conference, we want our social events to celebrate this diversity and representation as well. As such, it is our absolute pleasure to invite all HNMUN members to join us once again at the International Bazaar. The Bazaar is a cherished tradition where delegates get the chance to interact with thousands of other delegates from different cultures. Delegates can share their unique cultures and backgrounds with others, and discuss current affairs relevant to their home countries and communities. Overall, this experience serves as an integral part of the HNMUN experience connecting students from around the globe.

WEB PRESENCE & ACCESSIBILITY



Our website will continue to provide links to committee blog updates, our extensive background guides, and important conference documents and updates. Registering for and participating in HNMUN is easier than ever because of ongoing improvements in our web-based database (MUNBase) and the support of our dedicated Administration staff. We will also be in close communication with faculty advisors and head delegates to keep all participants as up-to-date as possible, especially given the uncertainty surrounding health and safety.

AN UNMATCHED EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Get first-hand experience with...

PUBLIC SPEAKING COOPERATION & NEGOTIATION

Delegates in every committee will have opportunities to gain experience with speaking in front of an assembled audience of peers on difficult international issues.

Whether speaking to 400 General Assembly participants or negotiating in unmoderated caucuses with much smaller groups, successful delegates will learn to communicate their ideas persuasively, cultivating skills useful in settings that extend far beyond Model United Nations.

Use this opportunity to gain...

KNOWLEDGE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS NEW PERSPECTIVES

By synthesizing the information provided in our background guides, delegates' individual research, and ideas presented by other delegates in committee, HNMUN participants will become exceptionally knowledgeable about their committee's topic area.

Through simulation, delegates have the unique opportunity to represent nations with values, beliefs, and cultures not familiar to them. In so doing, delegates have the opportunity to learn about other cultures in an enjoyable and rewarding fashion.

Hear from and meet...

WORLD-RENOWNED SPEAKERS DELEGATES AND FACULTY ADVISORS FROM 300+ UNIVERSITIES

Almost eight decades worth of tradition means that HNMUN will attract a variety of notable and dynamic personalities relevant to government, international relations, and contemporary issues to conference. Past HNMUN keynote speakers have included Samantha Power, a past US Ambassador to the United Nations and a renowned human rights expert; Lawrence Summers, former US Treasury Secretary and President of Harvard University; Gillian Sorensen, Under-Secretary-General of the UN; Fernando Valenzuela, EU Ambassador to the UN; and Robert Putnam, celebrated economist and sociologist.

The Faculty Lounge will remain a central point for head delegates and faculty advisors to attend a variety of panels, presentations, and receptions throughout the weekend of the conference. These events will allow faculty to interact and learn from each other, in addition to drawing on the intellectual resources of Harvard University and the Boston area through Faculty Speakers and informal opportunities. We are greatly expanding our faculty advisor panels this year to ensure that all participants at conference have the opportunity to hear from real experts on the most pressing issues facing our world today.

BEYOND THE COMMITTEE

HNMMUN always strives to create not only a place for academic and substantive excellence, but also a place where delegates and faculty can connect outside of committee rooms and form strong social bonds. This year, our priority is to offer safe but fun activities that enrich all delegates' experience.

SPECIAL EVENTS LIST (TENTATIVE)

Harvard Campus Tours (Cambridge, MA)

Fully led by Harvard students themselves, the campus tours provide a wonderful opportunity to get an insight into student life at Harvard University, view the historic and beautiful Harvard campus, and purchase Harvard souvenirs at our student giftshop.

International Bazaar

A highlight of the HNMMUN conference every year, the International Bazaar is a venue for our many international delegates to showcase their cultures. From snack foods to performances to cultural knowledge sharing, this is a wonderful opportunity to not only socialize with other delegates, but also to be exposed to the myriads of cultures that our delegations represent coming from all around the world.

Delegate Dance

HNMMUN 2022 will feature our renowned Delegate Dance, giving all participants in the conference a chance to dance the night away to music by one of Boston's top DJs. This dance is an ideal opportunity for delegates to cement their new friendships outside of the formal conference structure as well as make new ones before going into the final day of committee sessions and Closing Ceremonies.

Model Casino Night and Cocktail Hour

In lieu of the traditional club night, we are also currently exploring other fun options for delegates to socialize. This year will include new options, including a revamped version of our traditional Model Casino Night as well as opportunities for our 21+ delegates to enjoy the Boston nightlife scene.

IMPORTANT DATES 2021-2022

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OCTOBER 1

PRIORITY REGISTRATION ENDS

Submit Application and non-refundable Registration Fee via hnmun.org. Schools that successfully submit both application and registration fee by this date will be given priority consideration in our first round of country assignments.

PRIORITY FINANCIAL AID

HNMUN is committed to ensuring the accessibility of the conference, regardless of delegates' ability to pay. We offer a generous financial assistance to delegations with demonstrated need on a case-by-case basis, providing aid towards the cost of transportation and accommodation. Applications for financial aid submitted by this date will be considered in our first round of financial aid decisions.

FINAL INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION

International schools required to apply for U.S. visas must submit their applications and Registration Fee by this date. These applications will be considered in the first round of country assignments and financial aid decisions (if applicable).

NOVEMBER 1

REGULAR REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL AID END

All applications that are received by this date will be considered in our second round of country assignments and financial aid. All applications submitted after this date will be subject to late registration fees.

SPECIAL APPLICATIONS

Submit applications for Special committees including Press Corps, NGO Programme, and the Specialized Agencies via hnmun.org. All applications received by this date will be considered during country assignments.

DECEMBER 1

ALL FEES DUE

All Delegate (US\$95 each) and Faculty Advisor (US\$65 each) fees must be paid by this date. Failure to pay by this date will result in the assessment of late fees. Each school is responsible for all other expenses.

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We hope this prospectus has given some insight into what the HNMUN experience has to offer and the value of its educational mission. Yet no description can substitute for seeing HNMUN firsthand. We hope you will join us for conference in February!