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With warm regards,

Isha Ganesan and Anaamya Panchal, The Press Corps, HFS MUN 2024.



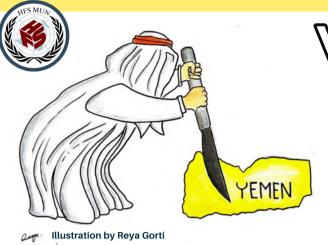
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YEAMAN, WE GAN SAVE UNGA~1 YEMEN

"Is it possible for us to live in a world without war and crisis?", Belgium questioned, after which the delegate continued to say that humanitarian aid would be provided to Yemen in its dire time of need. On the other hand, Norway brought up the 5 million kids and 2.7 million women who lost their lives due to the atrocities of the Houthi rebels, and yet, Iran did not bat an eye. Jordan boldly stated, "Yemen crisis is not just a Yemen crisis, but a global crisis!" After which France emphasised the need to convulse in peace talks and negotiate peace between war countries and cease-fire.

Afghanistan displayed utmost support towards Yemen. This out-of-the-way "support" was not to France's liking, who in turn targeted the Afghani government, sarcastically asking, "What lessons from Afghanistan's own peace process could be applied to Yemen?" This was followed by the delegate of Yemen referring to the aiding countries as their glimmer of hope. While most of the committee stayed calm and collected, the UK was quite the opposite, as he boldly claimed, "The Houthis have destroyed worships and you all sit here in your well-pressed suits doing nothing?!"



UNGA~







Russia portrayed their support towards the honour of Yemen, Belgium counter-questioned the veto power for its so-called "respect for countries" in the light of Russia bombing Ukrainian civilians. "It's not a funny little cartoon to watch people starving and dying" Ireland stated. The USA's expression of Yemeni refugees was concern for followed the Board by Executive questioning the delegate's sincerity, accusing the USA of employing illegal labour. immigrants as Supporting Yemen, Nigeria not only promised aid but also accused Iran of polluting the country, as well as their minds. Ireland countered Nigeria's words with a controversial question, "Anyone can bribe Nigeria with a bottle of water, and funding they're Yemen?". Iran's disregard for innocent Yemeni lives infuriated the delegate of Yemen, who accused Iran of being a monster.

Lunacy, ignorance and a little bit of learning were the order of the day. Though efforts were made to draft a pamphlet of peace, it was left unfinished and disregarded, just like the talks of non-violence and unity in the committee.

Jemen Cri(s)es

UNGA~2

BY MAITHILI KAUTHEKAR **AND SOHA SHAH**

"IT WAS THEIR FOREIGN INTERFERENCE AND HYPOCRITICAL INTERVENTIONS THAT HAVE BROUGHT SUCH SUFFERING TO THE YEMEN NATIONS."

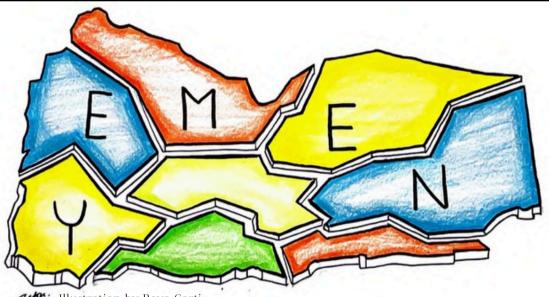


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The UNGA committee was a sight to behold. Comprising mainly of rookies with a hunger to learn, it kicked off with a palpable mix of nervousness and classic GSLs, with almost every Delegate having something to say about their country's stance.

The Delegate of Thailand set a strong precedent by assuring the committee that the coming hours would be fruitful in finding a solution to the ongoing conflict in Yemen. Something we saw unfold (and fail) in front of our eyes.

The Delegate of Denmark fired accusations at Egypt for making tall claims about standing with Yemen and asked them to provide substantial examples of their aid, and rightfully so, for verbal statements don't assert world dominance.

Unusualness took over as China decided to remain mute. So when the delegate of China finally did speak, it was bound to be fiery- "I would just like to highlight the hypocrisy of various countries like Saudi Arabia, they preach the Sharia but when it comes to their convenience they allow footballers of their clubs to live with their partners in live-in relationships. Why change rules for others when it comes to convenience?"

Just as the committee grasped a moment to recover from this, DPRK took a leap to accuse the International Federation, stating "It was their foreign interference and hypocritical interventions that have brought such suffering to the Yemen nations."

In the manner most that was unlike the delegates in committee, they demanded an immediate ceasefire and asked the member nations to step up for peaceful resolutions without geopolitical wars.

"I would just like to highlight the hypocrisy of various countries like Saudi Arabia, they preach the Sharia but when it comes to their convenience they allow footballers of their clubs to live with their partners in live-in relationships. Why change rules for others when it comes to convenience?



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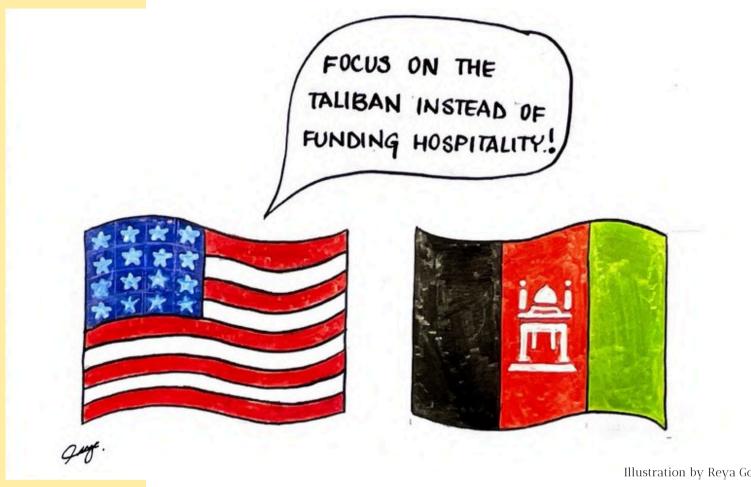


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This amount of rather regular confrontation left the delegate of Iran too nervous and tongue-tied utter single word. to a Condescendingly, when the EB enquired if anyone would like to discuss the violence in the MENA region, Iran was the first to raise its hand, followed by Canada, Denmark, and Nigeria.

As the committee reached a stalemate, Thailand raised a motion to discuss the Non-Proliferation Treaty. Although thoroughly offtopic, the EB allowed it to start a debate, for that would move committee toward some form of discussion, after all. While an explosive debate began, the delegation of Canada began to emphasise the danger posed by the Houthi rebels comparing them to a large threat, such as the Taliban. Countries came, countries went. What remained constant was nervousness, destruction, accusation, and lacklustre. Hey, a birthday song too! If this was the General Assembly, one can only wonder what happens in the rest of them.

UNGA~3

"A friend in need is a friend indeed, don't you think you should help them?" -Delegate of DRC

By Aarna Ponnappa and Sofia Gluckman

Two chocolates, a question





"MUJHE NAHI MILA!" cried out the delegate of Cambodia, resulting in being barred for five minutes due to the use of Hindi, but, successfully highlighting the desperate desire for chocolate in UNGA 3.

Ironically, the committee began with the absence of Yemen and Iran. The GSLs began with the delegate of Cambodia, who passionately addressed the ongoing conflicts in Yemen and called for a ceasefire. During this, the delegates found a hot topic to discuss during break, and a fair share of sadistic pleasure- the barring of the Delegate of Australia.

The Delegate of DRC motioned a moderated caucus on "The effect of Houthi rebel's actions on the global economy." Georgia's delegate spoke about their intention to donate money for the crisis, to which the delegate of DRC countered, "Yemen was struggling before the crisis. Why didn't you help them then?" The last part of this sentence was barely heard, for the usually quiet room drowned in applause, from the enthusiastic delegates. Taking it further, the EB granted two chocolates to the delegate of DRC, who jumped to catch them and thanked them with a "love you", which, quite frankly, was not out of character for the delegate.

After a lull in the committee, the delegate of Cambodia successfully passed a moderated caucus offering solutions for the UNSC, starting a "free-for-all" as delegates went out of their way to attack any country that blocked their paths, which the EB undoubtedly supported. Delegates thus began proposing solutions for the crisis.



"CAN WE BACKSTAB OTHER DELEGATES?"

-Delegate of Thailand

UNGA ~ 3

During the speeches, DRC began accusing Saudi Arabia of only stoking the already massive fire. While DRC was outlining the subtle distinction between taking back your land and stealing someone's property, North Korea ignited with "More than 70.6% of your population lives under 2.15 dollars a day, Who are you to tell Saudi Arabia what to do?"



A heavy burn to recover from, DRC responded "Who are you to tell me how to deal with my own country?,...at least our people can go out and enjoy their lives". This was just the beginning. Accusations, screams, arguments, and allegations- they were yet to come, and how!





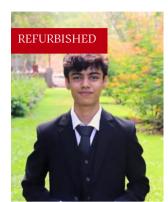
Though they had a rocky start, as the new delegates found themselves finishing their GSL speeches anxiously, and having a thousand questions on the ROP, it eventually made up the stepping stones of a comprehensive, conclusive committee. Even with the multiple controversial discussions and 1v1, at the end of the day, the delegates were only motivated by a single thing, chocolate. As they should be.

CAMBODIA- "CHOCOLATE"





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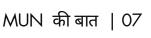
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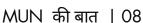
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Allah-hu-Akbar! God may be grobut radicals are

Written by Arvan Panda and Dhroov Sawant

The agenda was of much import, however, the delegates' views did not resemble it. "Lay down their arms and surrender to the Republic of Sudan." Such quotes though cannot be contained, and the fervour was soon visible in the delegates

The violent acts of the region were highlighted by the delegate of the USA, who made it very clear that the United States would not tolerate any disruption of peace, and genocide. Belarus on the other hand was adamant that genocide is a delicate term, and when used without substantial evidence can have severe repercussions. The matter of drafting a treaty that would finally ensure peace was brought up by Belarus, but was quickly rejected by the committee.

The slow start to the committee was fast-tracked by the fervours of the delegate of Sudan, who fired at the "group of radicals" by calling out their misuse of religion. "Allah-hu-Akbar": A phrase which translates to God is Great is being wrongly used by a group of radicals who call themselves rebels fighting for control over Sudan..." This was followed by an uproar from the audience, including the opposition. The attention of the committee was again captivated by the delegate of Ecuador, who highlighted the suffering macabre and the of people stating-"Corpses of people, are just lying on the road" and spoke of the mental turmoil of the children in the area. The oil fields in Darfur which had yet to be the topic of discussion so far were brought up by the delegate of Mozambique who called out the global superpowers for prioritising their own economic interests rather than ensuring the safety of the citizens.

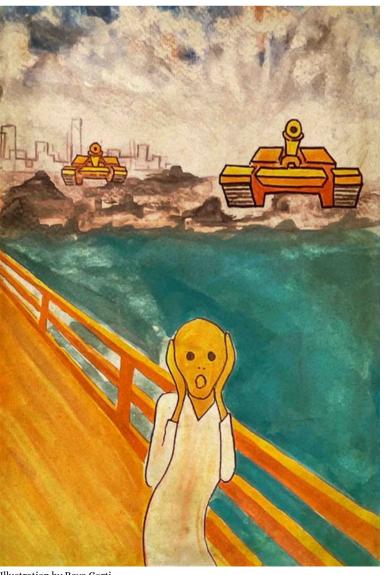


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UNSC~1









The motion to deliberate a peace treaty was brought up by the delegate of Sudan, this time, however, the now-enlightened committee agreed to find a solution.

A chaotic round of applause ensued after the delegate of Diibouti presented a riveting speech, criticising France for failing to take of its own Muslims before involving itself in Darfur. Then proceeded to taunt the entire Diibouti committee saying-"How is the security council not securing its own crisis?"

Amidst all the heated debate, all that the delegate of Algeria could say was "Janjaweed is disgusting for committing their heinous crimes." To further escalate the situation, Sudan accused the delegate of Russia of hypocrisy as Russia itself was annexing Ukraine while supporting the creation of the Darfurian state. The delegate of Ecuador added fuel to the fire by blaming Bashir and Sudan for the creation of the brutal Janjaweed militia.

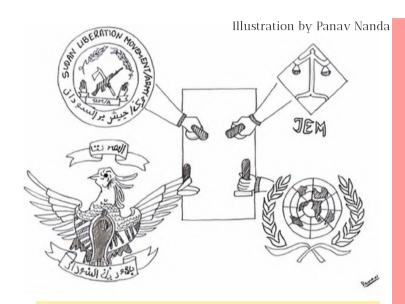
In the end, the Committee might not have brought peace to the territory of Darfur, but I can certainly say it brought a change in the thought process of the delegates. If nothing else at least they made peace over rubbery pizza.



BIRDS OVER UNSC~2 BOMBS

"RSF is a cancer that is spreading in the Darfur region"

Written By: Simran Choudhury and Rimsha Syed



The delegate of Algeria then slandered the delegate of China with the words, "Beijing has been the most intense violator of international sanctions on Sudan providing most of the country's import of small arms." Although they weren't able to give a strong rebuttal to the accusations, China stated that their country was willing to go as far as providing bombs to Sudan to end the conflict.

After the constant disappointment from the delegates, the Chairs had their heads in their hands. Algeria and Sudan broke into an argument when Algeria accused Sudan of using Gemini to come up with the topic for the moderated caucus. After multiple failed motions for a moderated caucus, the EB gave an unmoderated caucus with the objective, "Cook." 20 minutes of discussions revealed that the delegates "failed to cook and proceeded to burn the dish". The committee unfortunately did not come up with a resolution for the genocide but instead, the permanent 5 countries came up with the blasphemous idea of bombing Sudan to end everything once and for all.

"We don't want guns around us, but trees, we don't want bombs above us, but birds and, most of all we want democracy"

The Delegate of Sudan starts off the meeting with a strong speech about the grave predicament in their country. He shows great condemnation for the condition of the nation.

After Sudan's heartfelt speech, Russia took the stage with claims of providing maximum humanitarian aid and doing everything possible to help Sudan. This statement did not age well as Algeria called them out for supplying firearms to Janjaweed. Algeria went on to call Russia a hypocrite and said that they do not want to help Sudan as they only cared for their finances. "They are literal gold diggers" said Algeria, claiming that the sole purpose of Russia was to gain access to their gold mines and to get better trading deals with Sudan.





Written by Saara Maitra

DISEC ~ 1

"This is DISEC, let's disarm the Hamas and provide security to Israeli civilians, this is a conflict, not a war since a war would require the involvement of two countries."





The committee was set off like a fireworks display, promising excitement and twists, with sparks flying in every direction. Israel made the shocking decision not to vote in committee. Moreover, the delegate chose not to participate in the GSL, while also remaining silent in posing questions. Egypt initiated the debate by establishing its equitable stance on the Israel-Palestine conflict and encouraged the countries to "sit down and have a conversation." France, however, was quick to accuse Israel, and called for an immediate ceasefire while recognising Palestine as an independent state.

As the GSL proceeded, several other countries spoke up in favour of Palestine, portraying Israel as the antagonist. The delegate of Qatar seemed to be conflicted on its moderating stance on the matter, demanding "peace in Palestine" and calling Israel's actions "A gross violation of human rights" The delegate concluded with a universal question, "How much more till the world says enough?" The delegate of Australia seemed to be truly downunder in terms of geopolitical knowledge when he confused Hamas, the terrorist organisation, for Hummus, the chickpea dip. The delegate of UAE seemed equally as perplexed when he stated, "We support Palestine because we are a Muslim country"

Many motions later, a moderated caucus on the war crimes committed by both sides was introduced in committee and was marked by the enthralling entry of the delegate of USA. The delegate began by declaring that Palestine lacked a stable economy, government and population and hence did not pass the criteria for being called a state. The delegate then called Palestine "A place of Hamas rebellions" that was "playing the victim card." The USA considered it a matter of Human Rights versus self-defence, and seeing that Israel was surrounded by its enemies, defence was their utmost priority.







When questioned by Afghanistan on the loss of human life due to Israeli attacks. the delegate of the USA referred to him as "The Delegate of Taliban" and said that the attacks targeted Hamas, who used women and children as their human shields. The delegate concluded by saying, "This is DISEC, let's disarm the Hamas and provide security to Israeli civilians. This is a conflict, not a war since a war would require the involvement of two countries."

As simply as a moderated caucus comes to an end, so does the committee. With brash debates. non-conclusive statements, and tremendous levels of confidence, the delegates couldn't come to a resolution, but the one thing they could conclude was to always refer to a world map before coming to international committee.



Illustration by Amodini Ghalke



DISEC~2

"You are nothing in front of me."

Quote of the Committee



TERRORISM OR FREEDOM?

BY SHAMBHAVI G & SANIKA K

While South Korea started off the debate, it was truly brought to life by the delegate of Israel's explosive remark, Palestinians are passionate lunatics, who have collaborated with Hitler, who murdered over 6 million The delegate of Palestine retaliated by showcasing an official Israeli website portraying an image of an IDF soldier pointing to a calendar, marked list of terrorists, auardina hostages. This, however, was fake news.

The USA mentioned maintaining peace, Russia decided to shock the committee, controversially stating, "The US is amongst some of the few countries Hamas that called a terrorist organisation. Are you forgetting that you promoting terrorism other countries? Your playgrounds have bullets instead of sand in them. You're a tiny piece of land with a crooked, stammering, old man for a president who seems to be very child-friendly."

An altercation commenced among the delegates of the USA, Israel and Russia following which a motion was passed to discuss the ceasefire and government autonomy of Palestine.

Israel asked Palestine if they agreed that Hamas is a terrorist organisation, to which they answered in the negative. The other delegates refrained from involving themselves, while Israel asserted that the eradication of Hamas would also benefit Palestine.

The delegate of Russia expressed the possibility of being forced commence nuclear warfare against Israel and threatened that if the USA interferes, their situation will be the same as the shredded pictures of the President and Prime Minister of each placed in a box and given to the respective candidate. This possibly not a wise choice of words, as the delegate got barred for 5 minutes.





DISEC ~ 2



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The debate went on with Russia's motion of the interference of member nations in conflict. Venezuela, China and others highlighted their efforts to alleviate suffering. Palestine brought up the 12.5 billion dollars, that the USA had provided for Israel. Later, Russia brought up an issue regarding USA's President's unethical behaviour towards women, showcasing their proof in pictures, leaving the committee stumped. The mounting tension led the EB to commence a 2v2 between Russia and Palestine, Israel and the United States. The original argument was lost, and unprecedented debate allowed the EB to restart the committee. Palestine stated, "We just want to be treated as humans and not wretched dogs" while the opposition mentioned the harm cast upon the Jews and their collaboration with Hitler. The open floor statements got increasingly fierce with Russia's declaration, "YOU ARE NOTHING IN FRONT OF ME." Thus, ceasing the 2V2.

The door burst open with 'Benjamin Netanyahu', voicing his uniust demise. This was the debate's awaited crisis. Palestine furthered their opinions on Israel's disregard for their prime minister. Russia assumed the role of PMC Wagner and defended its actions. South Korea and Spain shared dissatisfaction regarding Israel's actions.

Discussion and deliberation were the stars that were cast, but the show was stolen by someone called Drama. At the end of the day, it's not about the solutions, it's about the intensity of the situation.



VILLAIN YOU? VILLAIN ME?



The committee meeting was marked by intense emotions and evolving dynamics as delegates grappled with the complex issues presented. Israel began expressing frustration at being portrayed as the villain, claiming that Palestine was the true aggressor. Palestine countered with a powerful statement, emphasising the need to address the oppression faced by Palestinians.

China took a strong stance against Israel, labelling their government a "terrorist organisation" and accusing them of being a primary obstacle to peace. However, this was met with scepticism when they were questioned about Taiwan and its similarities to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The United States emphasised the importance of hope and peace, saying, "Let us be architects of a future where the echoes of war are replaced by the harmony of peace." However, this was met with scepticism from the Palestinian delegation, who asked why the US consistently vetoes ceasefire talks if they truly sought peace.

By Ananya Satyanarayan and Shristi Singh



DELEGATE OF ISRAEL -"SHALOM AL ISRAYEL"

DISEC - 3

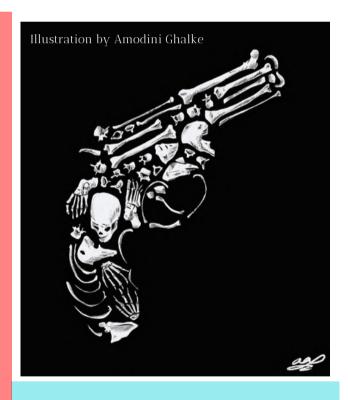


The debate continued to escalate as Afghanistan pleaded for peaceful resolutions, while Iran highlighted the plight of Palestinians in the Gaza Strip and supported Resolution 10/19, which nullified Israel's claim to Jerusalem. Chile condemned Israel's actions while providing aid, and Germany passionately argued that Israel was a divine land, poisoned by Palestine, along with Hamas and Islamic Jihad.

Saudi Arabia made a surprise appearance as a guest speaker, sharply criticising the committee by saying, "You sit in well-pressed suits while people are dying." The US was then placed on the hot seat after being questioned about its military operations in various countries. Saudi Arabia concluded by emphasising its commitment to following Quranic principles and warned that any violations would be exposed.

As tensions began boiling over, Palestine seized control of the situation with a powerful statement: "If you plan to back us up against the wall with this, clearly making Israel think it was our doing. Remember we will break the goddamn thing down." The US, believing they are the greatest nation in the world, challenged Palestine to try and break them down. This led to a heated debate with Lebanon, which suddenly sided with Israel in exchange for financial aid.

Throughout the meeting, delegates were thrown into a frenzy as they coped with the complex issues presented. The meeting was marked by intense emotions and constantly evolving dynamics, ultimately leaving a lasting impact on all those involved.



Palestine- "If you plan to back us up against the wall and make Israel think it was our doing, remember we will break the goddamn thing down."

Delegate of Israel- "It's time for the poison to get out from the Gaza strip."

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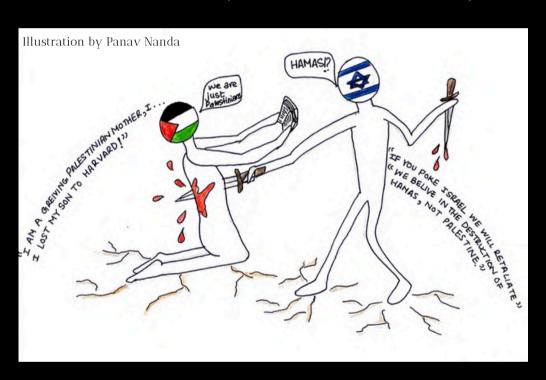


IS'REAL'... ARE YOU **FOR** REAL?

NHRC~1

"MOST OF THE TERRORISTS ARE **MUSLIMS.**" -DELEGATE OF FRANCE

Millions, billions, and zillions of years ago, the United Nations created the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Article 6 of the UDHR states that every human being has the right to education. This was brought to light by the delegate of the United Kingdom, who commented on how Palestine faced discrimination and censorship, when the children went to study abroad.



China's take on this was to support Palestine while picking people from poverty. Bulgaria spoke about how the UDHR is sometimes ignored in and Israel how helps Palestinians achieve their academic goals. Russia promised to lend a hand by sending medical aid and tents to the refugees in Palestine. During Palestine's speech, the delegate emphasised how Palestine should be its own country.

The delegate proved that Israel had taken over most of Palestine, proving the severity of this conflict. They also mentioned how Palestine wanted to peacefully coexist with Israel. The EB soon got disinterested in the monotonous speeches and opened the floor for motions to enter a moderated caucus, attempting to find slits of controversy. That's what happens ifwhen you can't give a zealous speech. The topic was unveiled, and so was Israel's honour- for everyone targeted it.

Even though the topic was directed towards Israel, the USA had taken the floor by promoting freedom of speech and human rights for both Israel and Palestine, as they brought to light how the USA was funding 674 million dollars to Palestine, which was guick to be guestioned by the EB as that is less than 1% of the USA's resources. Their only response was that Israel was their ally, hence they had to lend support. Reviving the committee with their grief-bound footsteps, a Palestinian family came to express their sadness about the passing of their son at the prestigious grounds of Harvard University.





Their sorrow didn't overtake their fury, as they vehemently accused the USA of not taking any actions, causing the delegates to burst out in condescending laughs, which led to the mother threatening to send Hamas to Bangladesh. France's insensitive nature towards this situation led to the delegate getting barred while the mother and father continued blaming the USA.

UNITED NATIONS. HUMAN RIGHTS CANCELLED.

However, the real fun began when France boldly (and incorrectly) stated- "Most of the terrorists are Muslims." This was a stepping stone for the committee, as it only got more intense from here on. The clock struck twelve, and all hell broke loose, as the public the room with stormed into unextinguished thirst to obtain answersand kept on flooding Israel with questions until the country was flooded. However, that soon came to an end as security showed up in a flamboyant manner, causing the ruckus to end. Essentially, everything contributed to solidifying that today, UNHRC stood for "United Nations, Human Rights Cancelled."







HARVARD IS TO DIE FOR!

UNHRC ~ 2

Written by Viha Shah and Aaliyah Shaikh

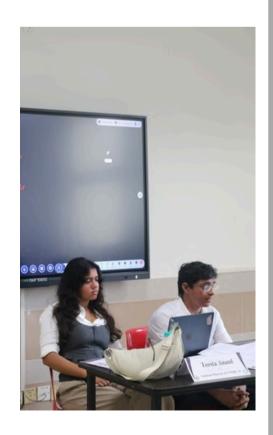


Cue-a verbal brawl between Russia and the EB. A brief motion by the delegate of Russia to impeach and subsequently replace the EB. This is how the committee clumsily segued into the GSL.

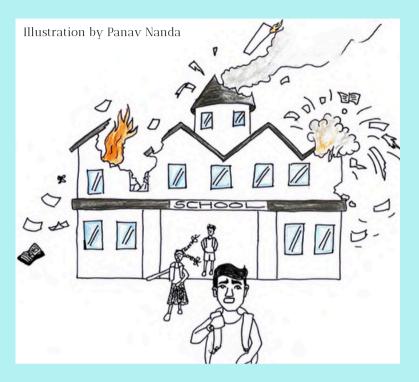
One of the first to speak was the delegate of India. As he began to promote his country in the committee by claiming that India has helped several Palestinian students by providing them with scholarships, the delegate of Russia sprung up with a question. "How dare you claim that you have helped students when out of 50,000 students, only 51 were given scholarships! Is this what you call helping?!". India had no answers. At first, it seemed like the GSL would never be exhausted, but slowly and surely, names were cut and new ones were added. The delegate of Russia raised a motion for a debate while the Netherlands opted for a moderated caucus. To everyone's despair, the motions were rejected, and everyone returned to the GSL.

With more speeches, but fewer questions, the committee felt like it was stuck on loop. After some technical difficulties and the EB on the precipice of a mental breakdown, a motion for a moderated caucus was finally passed. With a wonderfully factual speech, Belgium blew open the case stating "Students are being suppressed and teachers are being fired! With over 90 Palestinian journalists killed where is the Academic freedom?!" The committee roared into a cacophony of table banging and whoo-ing over this statement. The GSL continued and once again became monotonous.

Just before the committee was lulled to sleep, the EB jolted us back to life with a screaming, mourning Palestinian mother, "I am a grieving Palestinian mother, I...I lost my son to Harvard!", she screamed, accusing Israel. "Hamas is a de-facto governing body of Palestine. We believe in the destruction of Hamas, not Palestine", in a defensive tone. The grieving mother retorted, "So you think my son is part of Hamas? You think he deserved to die?! I sent him to Harvard, to have a better life...and yet, yet he was a victim of blatant discrimination!". After some more back and forth, as a last resort, it was said, "If you poke Israel, we will retaliate!".







"HAMAS IS A DE FACTO GOVERNING BODY OF PALESTINE. WE BELIEVE IN THE DESTRUCTION OF HAMAS, NOT PALESTINE.",

The crisis matured into a 2v2. This created an uncanny but equally strong alliance between Palestine and Belgium, against Mozambique and Israel.

Belgium and Palestine heckled Mozambique, to the point of breaking. Mozambique was eventually barred for unparliamentary language and Palestine got caught up in the moment and screamed at the top of his lungs (he was asked to write an apology too).

The day had begun with nerves, and stress but concluded with screams, laughs, amazing memories, and the delegate of Palestine dancing with Morocco. (Do you guys have a ship name for this inexplainable couple?).





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By Priyana Adani & Anaira Pillai

Point of Parliamentary Inquiry: Rights, When?

"The committee would only take proper action if the citizens of Palestine were their own mothers and daughters."

- Delegate of Palestine



The committee's wheels started turning rather slowly, when Malawi gave a brief speech, defending Palestine and commenting that USA and China are far more developed to experience, or even understand such issues. China then stated, "To deny people their human rights is to challenge their very humanity", adding that they support Palestine fully. When questioned by the EB about their academic freedom after the incident of "Tank Man" at Tiananmen Square in Beijing on June 5, 1989, the Delegate of China was left completely stoic, showcasing their humanity.

"Firings in the name of god are allowed" - Iran

"My knees are bent before you" - Palestine

"Wives and children are being butchered" - EB







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Many countries got up to show their support for Palestine against the violations of the United Nations Charter. As the subject of Academic Freedom was acknowledged more thoroughly, Brazil declared that, "Protests are important. We believe that these protestors should not be denied their rights to free speech and expression." The EB took matters into their own hands and entered the committee as the delegate of Iran, delivering a fiery speech announcing that Iran did not believe that the committee was worthy of finding solutions. They accused China of violating Article 20 of the UDHR by shooting students with tanks in their very own capital and blurting out "China does not believe in God."

Adding fuel to the fire, Iran attacked Brazil by saying, "The Favelas in Brazil are full of weapons". In response to a point of information raised by Brazil, Iran responded, "The Quran is above all laws." This gained eye rolls and gasps. Palestine finally stood up to declare that he was, "Disgusted by the incompetence of the committee." Palestine emphasized saving its citizens, not seeking world domination like China, urging a focus on Palestinian issues, not China's academics. Delegates from Brazil, Sudan, South Africa, and Algeria engaged in a rapid-fire debate with accusations flying. Algeria countered Sudan's claims of supporting protestors, citing violence in Sudan's capital. The debate concluded with Brazil's passionate declaration: "It's better to die than to live in a country without rights"

At the end of the day, the rookie delegates gained a MUN-ning 101 session and got the most importance piece of advice- always duck when the EB throws chocolate. No matter the angle.





WHAT LEVEL DELEGATE ARE YOU?



















RESULTS

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You're the real deal, handling every negotiation with the finesse of a seasoned pro. You're the one everyone turns to when things get tough, and you've got a suit to match your skills.

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"This is DISEC, let's disarm the Hamas and provide security to Israeli civilians, this is a conflict, not a war since a war would require the involvement of two countries."

You all sit in your well pressed suits while people are dying... -Delegate of Saudi Arabia









"You are nothing in front of me."





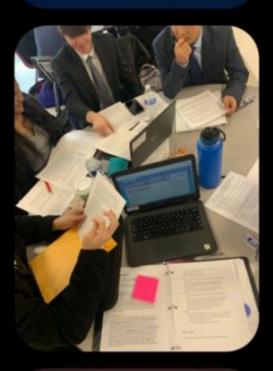
"It was their foreign interference and hypocritical interventions that have brought such suffering to the Yemen nations."



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"A friend in need is a friend indeed, don't you think you should help them? -Delegate of DRC



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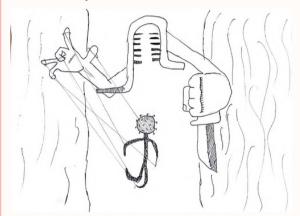
SMOOTH CRIMINAL

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"USA might not be Micheal Jackson, but they definitely are a smooth criminal"

Illustration by Hrihaan Shah



SESSION I:

Raising a motion isn't hard, right? Somehow, the delegates present in WHO 1 seemed to find it to be a herculean task. For the most part, it seemed like they had not yet glanced upon the study guide. After finally raising a motion, the GSL had started. Vietnam stated that they do not participate in the making of biological weapons, an inaccuracy quickly pointed out by the delegate of Japan, as Vietnam has been lending weapons to Russia. Russia abruptly uttered what made the whole committee wonder whether Russia was serious. "We do not use weapons. That accusation is baseless."

SESSION II:

USA raised a new motion to accountability and responsibility, regarding the biological weapons and their uses. After a new motion was passed, Japan stated that countries needed to accept their faults and everything that the committee stood for was "honestly insulting." Delegate of Japan, furious with China, called them out dumping their chemical waste into their ocean. Russia claims that Japan is one of the first countries to use biological weapons! In rebuttal to Vietnam's GSL speech, Japan pointed out that Vietnam used the polio virus against American soldiers during the Vietnam war.









"USA MIGHT NOT BE MICHEAL JACKSON, BUT THEY DEFINITELY ARE A SMOOTH CRIMINAL"

The delegate of Mexico stated that ALL countries should be transparent and honest about using biological weapons. The delegate of USA fired off a rocket to Russia after they mentioned that they haven't used biological weapons during their war with Ukraine. Is the delegate of Russia ignorant about the Ukraine war?



Before the break, a ferocious 2v2 ensued between USA and Japan, opposed by Vietnam and Mexico. Vietnam shocked everyone with the following bold statement: "Using biological weapons is unnecessary. China definitely wants to get bombed again." The discussion ended unfruitfully. The only intriguing aspect of committee was the statement, "USA might not be Micheal Jackson, but they definitely are a smooth criminal"

Regardless of whether or not a standard was set for the use of biological weapons, some of the heated comments are sure to go viral and infect the brains of the enthusiastic delegates present in committee.



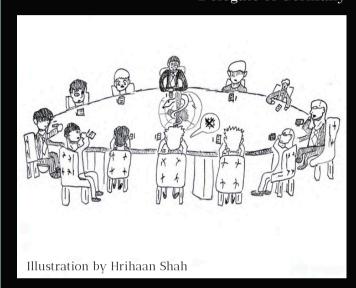
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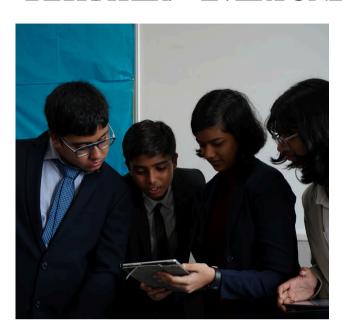
"I emphasize the critical importance of fortifying global health security in response to the rapid advancements in biological warfare technology."

-Delegate of Germany



And that's how the exhibarating debate started in the World Health Organisation 2 committee. As the GSL continued, the delegates of Germany, Canada, Brazil, Italy, Saudi Arabia and Denmark shared their stance against the use of biological weapons and clever suggestions to enforce the same in all countries. While other delegates questioned their suggestion, the Delegate of Belgium was more concerned about playing Fall Guys. Shortly after, the delegate of Mexico, who seemed lost in committee, went off the agenda, stating Mexico's support for gene editing. Perhaps the delegate did not notice the committee entering into formal debate or was just more interested in the ideas on "pranx.com", for which the respected Executive Board quickly barred the delegate committee, from unfortunately for Mexico this was not a prank! As the committee proceeded, blocs formed with Canada choosing to join Russia, to which the other bloc immediately cried out "Betrayer!".

"BETRAYER!"~EVERYONE.



Committee swiftly moved into a riveting 2v2 between Russia, Netherlands and Germany, Norway. Russia and Netherlands state that Biological weapons can be produced only for safety and can "Revolutionise healthcare" to which Norway suggested that biological weapons have uncontrollable and unexpected effects on humans, animals and. environment. Russia instantly asked Germany how the delegate could be against the production of biological weapons as they are the largest producers of biological weapons. Germany in the blink of an eye corrected Russia's statement and mentioned the largest producers are China and the United States of America and nuclear weapons and technology are more controllable. Unfortunately this debate ended by the discretion of the Executive Board but it was clear which delegates were dominating the debate





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BIO TECHNOLOGY WILL REVOLUTIONISE

HEALTHCARE."

DELEGATE OF THE NETHERLANDS



The debate ended just in time as Crisis broke out in committee. USA AND JAPAN WERE INVADING RUSSIA WITH BIO WEAPONS. When questioned by the president of the United States of America on why Russia invaded Ukraine, the delegate simply stated, "Because I wanted to!"

The president of the USA expressed his dislike for the Russian Federation as he said with a smirk, "Your vodka won't save you!" Although they were supposed to talk about safeguarding global health security in the face of drastic development of biological warfare technology, the only thing they safeguarded was countless hours of work as the committee ended with no working paper and hence no passed resolution.

"YOUR VODKA WON'T SAVE YOU!"

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.



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DELEGATE OF TURKEY SAID "ISRAEL IS SUCH A HYPOCRITE" WHO~3



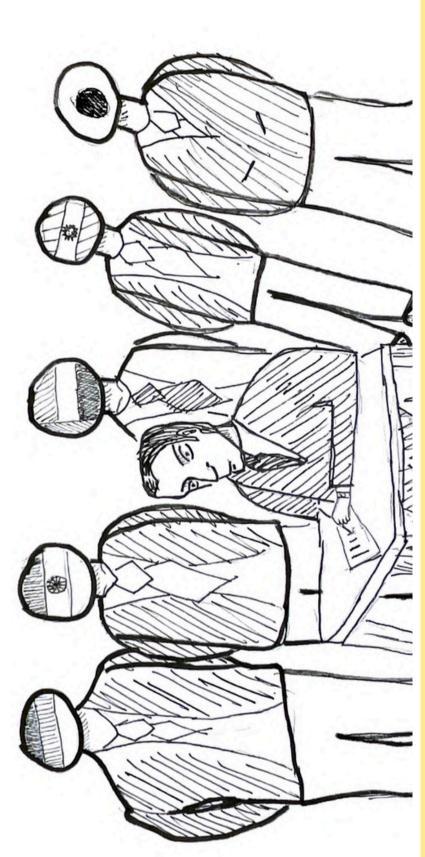


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"SPEAK SPEAK SPEAK" - Executive Board

The committee's session began on a with note. delegates distractedly cross-talking passing chits. This continued for over an hour until the committee finally commenced its first General Speakers' List, with China taking the initiative to speak first. China's **GSL** speech addressed its concerns the exploitation about biotechnology

discussed its Germany "transparent" projects, while Canada asserted, "Canada has not engaged and never will support the development of biological warfare." Despite three motions being raised, all failed due to a lack of votes, causing the committee to revert to the GSL once more. A humorous when moment occurred delegate of Australia realised that he did not have a placard during voting.

The proceedings appeared sluggish until a moderated caucus, proposed by Canada, brought some chaos. The topic of discussion "Assessing and mitigating the risks of warfare." It biological evident that many delegates were unprepared. One delegate remarked, "The study guide is just picked up from Wikipedia." The number of personal privileges raised somehow exceeded the GSL speeches.

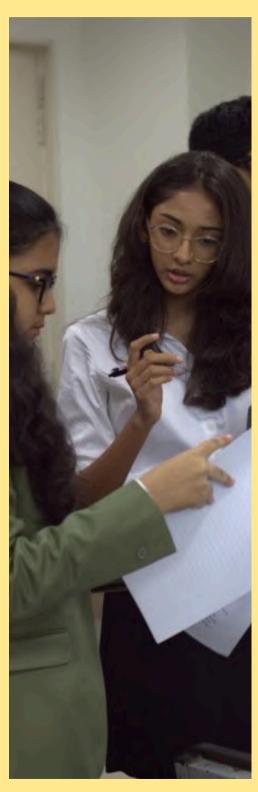
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Indonesia acknowledged Israel, stating uncertainty about whether it possessed biological weapons. Israel itself was unsure, which was quite telling. The Executive Board restarted the open floor as no one had anything to contribute. Suddenly, the committee took an interesting turn. "You can roast the other delegate, just do it," said the EB. Meanwhile, Israel out of nowhere conceded, "I agree that I might have used bioweapons against Gaza."

Thailand accused Japan of filling bombs with mosquitoes (dengue alert!), prompting laughter throughout the committee. The USA rebutted Japan, arguing that without the Pearl Harbour attack, Hiroshima and Nagasaki would not have occurred. This caused a significant uproar. Japan responded, claiming their attack caused minimal damage compared to the biological impacts of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Israel faced continuous criticism and expressed frustration, saying, "Arey yaar, I see the whole world is against me, but I'm not going to use the weapons as I'm a nice guy." The sarcasm made the committee silenced with side-eyes echoing across the room specifically from the Middle Eastern States.

Despite the rocky start, the delegates did not hold back in expressing their viewpoints, it soon became memorable for the delegates. By the end, what began as a lackluster meeting had evolved into a dynamic and memorable experience, with delegates forging new alliances, gaining fresh perspectives, and leaving with stories that would be recounted long after the committee adjourned. The session became a testament to the power of perseverance, dialogue, and the unpredictable nature of diplomatic discourse.





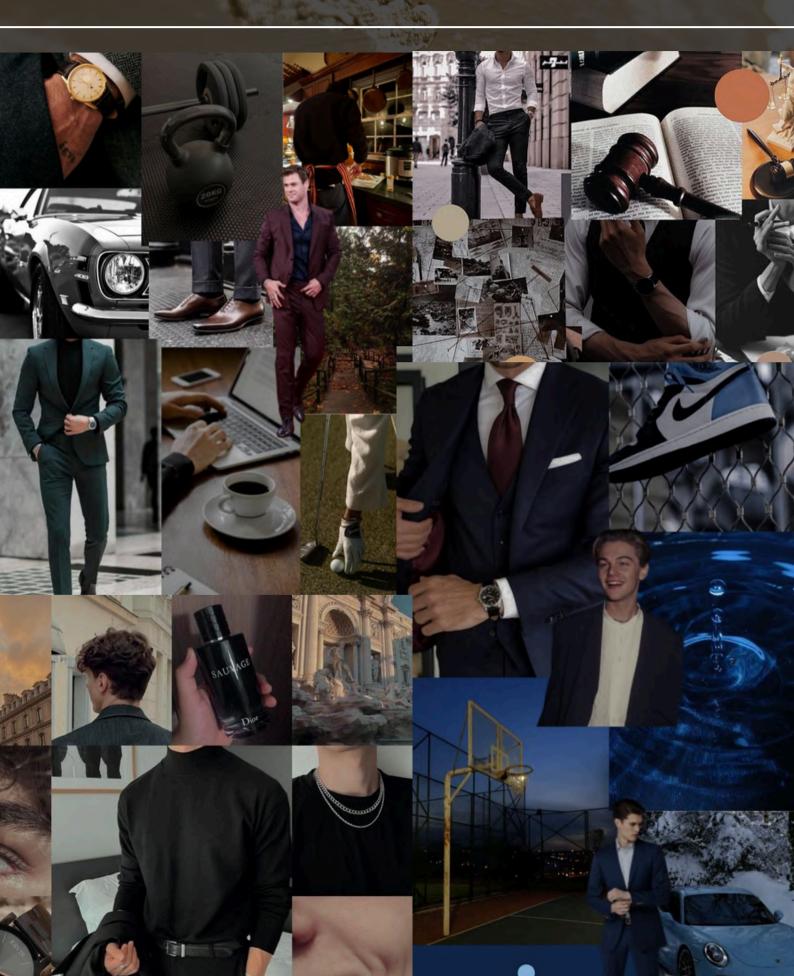
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