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Dear Prospective Chair/Vice-Chair/Crisis Director,

I hope you're as excited for SSUNS 2011 as I know Team Committees is! The experience of crafting a committee and making it unique is a very rewarding endeavour! The committee becomes a powerful catalyst for facilitating new avenues of debate, creating fresh learning experiences for the delegates, and engaging with a vast range of international relations material. At SSUNS, the delegates will learn about pertinent global issues and confront the challenges faced by our diplomats, all while exploring the foreign policy doctrines of various United Nation member states.

The conference has a hard earned reputation for bringing together a competitive level of debate, innovative committees, and a great delegate experience; all this is only possible because of you – our staff. Without your creativity, passion, hard work, enthusiasm, and dedication, SSUNS would never be possible. In the application below, you will find a tentative list of committees currently under consideration. Many of these ideas are completely new, and have never been simulated at SSUNS or even at other conferences. As such, please contribute some exciting ideas of your own and of course, indicate which existing committees appeal to you. Once you have chosen the three committees that interest you most, please fill in the Chair Application form and if applicable, feel free to outline a few specific topics for each committee you would like to simulate.

The deadline for submitting Chair/Vice-Chair/Crisis Director Applications is Tuesday, March 8 at 18:00. Once again, thank you for your application! Please feel free to contact me with any and all questions, comments, or concerns. I am available at committees@ssuns.org. We are looking forward to working closely with you in the near future, and making SSUNS 2011 truly dynamic and unforgettable!

Sincerely,

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SSUNS 2011 will be simulating 20 committees, which span the myriad of international institutions that exist today.



General Assemblies are large bodies that tend to have universal country membership. Economic and Social Councils are traditionally smaller than GAs, but are similar gatherings of nations. Specialized Agencies are even smaller and tend to be non-United Nations bodies. Crisis committees are intimate gatherings where delegates react to real-time events.

This is not a final list. Please feel free to make any suggestions for committees.

General Assemblies (GAs) <http://www.un.org/ga/maincommittees.shtml>

- United Nations General Assembly Special Session on HIV/AIDS
<http://www.un.org/ga/aids/coverage/>
- United Nations General Assembly Special Emergency Session on the Suez Crisis (1956)
http://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/3354&Lang=E

Economic and Social Councils (ECOSOCs) <http://www.un.org/ecosoc/>

- UN Women
<http://www.unwomen.org/>
- United Nations Human Rights Council
<http://www2.ohchr.org>
- Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
<http://www.oecd.org>

Specialized Agencies (SAs)

- Royal Dutch Shell Board of Directors
http://www.shell.com/home/content/aboutshell/who_we_are/leadership/the_board/
- Charles de Gaulles' Cabinet (1958)
- Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe
<http://www.osce.org/>
- Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia
<http://www.eccc.gov.kh>
- International Olympic Committee
<http://www.olympic.org/>
- New York Times Editorial Board
<http://www.nytimes.com/interactive/opinion/editorialboard.html>

Crisis Committees

- Shakespeare's 'Julius Caesar'
- Allende's Cabinet—Chilean Coup of 1973
- Joint Crisis: TBD



Part I: Personal Information

Name:
Program/Year:
Phone Number:
E-mail:

Part II: Committee Choices/Suggestions

(Please feel free to attach any additional sheets as needed.)

Committee Choice #1: _____

Position: Chair Vice-Chair Crisis Director

Topic Suggestions:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Why are you interested in this committee and these topics?

Committee Choice #2: _____

Position: Chair Vice-Chair Crisis Director

Topic Suggestions:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Why are you interested in this committee and these topics?



Committee Choice #3: _____

Position: Chair Vice-Chair Crisis Director

Topic Suggestions:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Why are you interested in this committee and these topics?

Are there any other committees that should be simulated at SSUNS 2011?

Are you willing to write a background guide? Yes No

Are you able to attend following training and meeting dates? Yes No

- Chair/Vice-Chair/Crisis Director Meeting – **Saturday, March 12, 2011**
- Formatting Draft Resolution Training – **(Tentative) Saturday, October 8, 2011**
- Rules of Procedure Training – **(Tentative) Saturday, October 15, 2011**
- Crisis Training (Crisis Directors and Chairs) – **(Tentative) Sunday, October 16, 2011**
- Advanced Chair/Vice-Chair Training – **(Tentative) Saturday, October 22, 2011**
- Crisis Simulation – **(Tentative) Sunday, October 23, 2011**



In-House Committee Simulation – Tuesday, October 25, 2011
In-House Committee Simulation – Tuesday, November 1, 2011
SSUNS Stuffing – Tuesday, November 8, 2011
SSUNS – November 10-13, 2011



Part III: Experience/Miscellaneous Questions

(Please answer these questions on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to your application)

1. What is your Model United Nations experience? Do you have any other experience that might be relevant for a particular committee you would like to chair/vice-chair/crisis direct?
2. If you have previously been a committee staffer at SSUNS, what suggestions do you have for improving committee dynamics?
3. Are there any other considerations that we should take into account when reviewing your application?

Thank you very much for your interest in the Secondary Schools' United Nations Symposium 2011. **You will be contacted within a week of the deadline, March 8, 2011.**