

Rookie Session

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Note on the PDF presentation

- Grey numbers indicate the according Rule of Procedure (e.g. slide 7 and following)
- Links are underlined and will open your browser (slide 13)

Outline

1. Session Overview

- a) Topic
- b) Debate & Tools
- c) Resolution

2. Practice Simulation: Invasion of Iraq (2003)

3. Session Preparation



Session Overview

Topic

- Research

Debate & Tools

- General Speakers List
- Opening Speeches
- Specific Debates

Resolution

- Negotiations
- Voting Procedure



Topic Examples

- Human Rights while countering Terrorism (HRC, Beirut)
- Post-Conflict Weapon Management Caucasus (DISEC, Zurich)
- Sustainable Energy Infrastructure (ECOSOC, Hamburg)
- Legality of Drone Attacks (SC, Maastricht)



Topic Examples

Research

- Represent a country, not yourself
- Achieve goals / strengthen position of your country
- Do what's best for your country



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Debate

Roll Call

General Speaker's List ^{9, 18}

Moderated Caucus ¹²

Unmoderated Caucus ¹¹



Tools

1. Motions ^{11, 12}

2. Points ²³⁻²⁵

3. Right ²²

4. Yields ²¹

Motion

Point

Right

Yield



Debate & Tools

General Speakers List ^{9, 18}

Yield

Right

Point

Motion

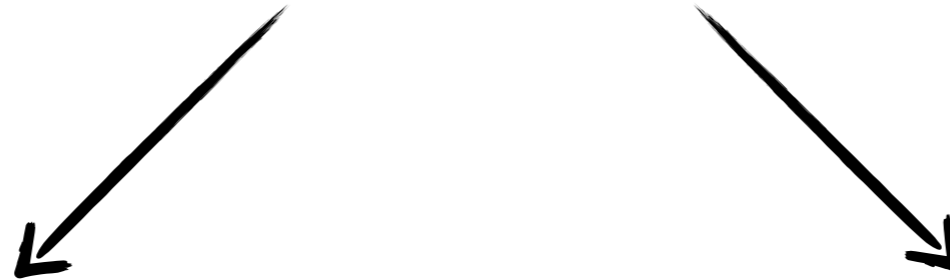
Moderated Caucus ¹²

Unmoderated Caucus ¹¹



Motion

Motion



Change Debate Content

- Moderated Caucus ¹²
- Unmoderated Caucus ¹¹

Manage the Debate

- Closure of Debate ¹³
- Suspension of Meeting ¹⁴
- Postponement of Debate ¹⁵
- Reconsideration ¹⁶



Motion

1. Moderated Caucus

- Chair moderates
- Topic, Speaking Time
- Time Limit



2. Unmoderated Caucus

- Informal Discussions
- Time Limit



Motion



How to raise a Motion

1. “Honourable Chair, the United Kingdom would like to motion for a **Moderated** Caucus of 12 minutes, Speaking Time 45 seconds, on the topic of How to monitor the progress of the Working Group.”
2. “Honourable Chair, Somalia motions for an **Unmoderated** Caucus with a duration of 10 minutes.”



Points and Right

Point

1. Point of Personal Privilege²³
2. Point of Parliamentary Inquiry²⁵
3. Point of Order²⁴ / Example

Right

A Right of Reply²² / Examples: Eritrea , Armenia
applies when the personal or national
integrity has been attacked.



Yields

(only during the General Speakers List)

Yield

1. To another Delegate ²¹
2. To Questions ²¹
3. To the Chair ²¹

“... I yield my remaining time to the honourable delegate of Mauritius.”



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Chain of Action

Debate

Closure of Debate ¹²

Voting Procedure ³⁰⁻³⁴

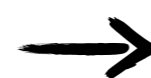
Working Papers



Draft Resolutions



Amendments



RESOLUTION



Questions?



Practice Simulation

- Topic: Invasion of Iraq
- UN Body: Historical General Assembly 2003



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Session Preparation

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- Choose a Country
- Prepare the Topic
- Write an Opening Speech (ca. 2min)
- Read the Rules of Procedure carefully



Hints

- Speeches
 - write down the first and last sentence
 - think about the **key message** you want to communicate
- Find allies during Unmoderated Caucuses
- Send notes to other delegates
- Use the Point of Parliamentary Inquiry
- And of course: Read the Rules of Procedure



See you!



Next Wednesday, 19:15 in KOL-H-321