

RESOLUTIONS/WORKING PAPERS

Resolutions submitted initially as Working Papers, are the essence of any Model United Nations. All delegations are encouraged to research their resolutions carefully; documentation of facts is extremely important. Delegations are also encouraged to make their resolutions specific. This is a point that will be stressed over and over again. Following each topic of discussion, the Secretariat has indicated what the thrust of the resolution should be, and while these not need to be the only points covered, specific proposals are always emphasized. Resolutions considered by the Secretariat to be too vague or general will not be accepted.

A sample Resolution/Working Paper is enclosed as a guide.

1. **Familiarity with the problem.** It refers in a concise yet provocative manner to the background of the problem, and, when appropriate, to its previous handling by the UN.
2. **Recognition of the issues.** It specifies what it is arguing for and implies what it is arguing against. The word "specifies" is key here. Each year MUN received scores of general resolution which say very little. Such resolutions will no longer be accepted by the Secretariat.
3. **Good form.** Little respect is won by the grammatically clumsy or the stylistically imprecise resolution. A sloppy format can detract from an otherwise sound resolution.
4. **Conciseness.** Every clause and every phrase has a purpose. Everything in the resolution should relate to the issue.

There is no limit to the number of Working Papers a delegation may submit or the number a committee may consider; however, the Secretariat reserves the right to make any changes it deems necessary either in the form or content of resolutions or in the number of resolutions to be considered by the General Assembly Committees.

All Working Papers will be substantially discussed and debated by the caucus group. The documents which are presented as resolution for consideration by the committee will emerge from these discussions.

The Pennsylvania State University-Harrisburg
Model United Nations Conference

Draft Working Paper

Committee: Special Political
Subject: The Russian Federation Economic Crisis
Proposed by: Poland and Ukraine

The General Assembly

Expressing the Russian Federation's great concern with the economic decline throughout the Federation,

Recognizing the International Monetary Fund's Managing Director, Michael Camdessus, delayed a \$4.3 billion grant waiting for the Russian Federation to come up with an acceptable plan,

Further Recognizing that without further outside aid, the Russian Federation will continue to collapse into further debt,

Realizing the Russian Federation defaulted on their foreign debt and creditors are frightened to loan money,

Resolves:

1. **Calls Upon** the United Nations to appoint an international team of economists to plan and enforce a budget for the Russian Federation; this will bring inflation under control and establish stability and credit in the Federation, which will enable the IMF grant.
2. **Humbly Requests** the United Nations to put their faith behind the Russian Federation government's ability to pay back their debts, with the direction provided by the international team of economists.
3. **Calls Upon** the Russian Federation government to comply with the new economic plan, as proposed by the international team of economists.