

YSBMUN POSITION PAPER GUIDELINES

How to Write a Position Paper

Your position paper should include a brief introduction followed by a comprehensive breakdown of your country's position on the topics that are being discussed by the committee. A good position paper will not only provide facts but also make proposals for resolutions.

A good position paper may include:

- A brief introduction to your country and its history concerning the topic and committee;
- How the issue affects your country;
- Your country's policies with respect to the issue and your country's justification for these policies;
- Quotes from your country's leaders about the issue;
- Statistics to back up your country's position on the issue;
- Actions taken by your government with regard to the issue;
- Conventions and resolutions that your country has signed or ratified;
- UN actions that your country supported or opposed;
- What your country believes should be done to address the issue;
- What your country would like to accomplish in the committee's resolution; and
- How the positions of other countries affect your country's position.

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Sample Position Paper

Topics:

- 1. The Reduction of Global Poverty in Line with Sustainable Development Goals
- 2. The Issue of Education in Post Conflict Situation

Country: France

Honorable chair and fellow delegates,

The adoption of the SDGs helps reduce France's poverty by over 60% since 1990. Still, over 8 million French people and many others in the world are living under poverty line. France is very active on the issue, and is working nationally and internationally for further reduction of poverty in every aspect.

As for the second issue, France itself had encountered educational problems in post-conflict situations for a few times, and had put half of its contribution to solve them. France is also willing to give full cooperation to any country with the problem concerning the issue.

The delegate is open to any effective resolutions to both issues in the best way possible.

The delegate yields the floor back to the chair.

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