

Princeton Model United Nations Conference 2018 Position Paper Information

All GA and Specialized committees in PMUNC 2018 will require each delegate (or in the case of certain committees each double delegation team) to write a position paper. A position paper is a brief summary of a country's position on a topic, information about a country's past action on the topic, and potential solutions a country may support. In the case of specialized committees, you will be asked to write the position paper from the point of view of the non-state actor, individual, etc. you are representing in the committee. Position papers are to be submitted via email by Friday, Nov. 9 at 5 PM. You can find the email for your committee at <https://www.princetonirc.org/committees/> by clicking on your committee.

Position Paper Guidelines:

Unless otherwise specified by chairs in their committees' respective background guides, all position papers should:

- Be one page, single spaced, per topic (If your committee has two topics, you should turn in one page, single spaced per topic, so two pages total)
- Be written in Times New Roman, size 12 font
- Have the Country, Committee, and Topic Area in the upper left corner of the page (Note: Do not write your school's name anywhere on the document)
- Be submitted as a .doc, .docx, or .pdf file

If you have any questions regarding position papers, please do not hesitate to email the chair of your committee.

Position Paper Suggestions:

Position papers generally follow the following structure:

- Topic background with relation to the country (or individual) being represented
- Country's official position or stance on the topic
- Potential solutions the country would support - this should not be in a resolution format, but should be written in the same style and format as the rest of the paper

Again, this is a suggested format and your position paper may deviate from this format as long as it still provides all of the necessary information listed above.

Additionally, when addressing and expressing an opinion of your country in the position paper, you should not write in first person (by using phrases such as "I believe...", "I feel...", "We think...", etc.). Instead, you should write the position paper from the point of view of your country or the individual you are representing (by using phrases such as "The Russian Federation feels...", "Russia strongly believes...", etc.).