



HMDC Presents... Futuristic Security Council

Welcome to another episode of HMDC Presents...
Today we will discuss the Futuristic Security Council.

A futuristic Security Council is a simulation set in the year 2100 rather than the real body.

This committee is a simulation set in the year 2100, which means we face future challenges.

That is correct, because we must solve problems that have not happened yet.

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According to Harvard Model United Nations, these crisis committees involve fifteen to thirty delegates each and include backroom elements.

Crisis committees are limited in size to fifteen to thirty delegates each.

We must also remember the backroom elements, which help create the events we face.

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An illustration of two women in business suits standing in front of a large screen displaying a world map. The woman on the left is speaking, with a speech bubble containing text about the committee's responsibility for international peace and security. The woman on the right is also speaking, with a speech bubble containing text about maintaining peace because violence is undesirable for all nations. The background is dark, and the screen has a blue and green glow.

The committee carries the main responsibility for international peace and security.

We must maintain peace because violence is undesirable for all nations.

The Security Council exists to carry the main responsibility for international peace and security.



The committee handles unpredictable challenges,
which force delegates to solve fast-paced
problems facing global leaders

We simulate the
fast-paced and
unpredictable
challenges that global
leaders face.

We must work
quickly because slow
responses will harm
our progress.



The Council has fifteen members, which includes five permanent members.

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The Council contains fifteen members. Five hold permanent seats, and the General Assembly elects the other ten members for terms of two years.



The Council matters enormously because its decisions are binding, which means members agree to accept and carry out those decisions.

All member states are obliged to carry out the decisions of the Security Council.

That is true, because other organs can only recommend actions.

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An illustration of two women with dark hair, wearing dark business suits over light-colored shirts. They are standing side-by-side against a dark background. The woman on the left has short hair, and the woman on the right has slightly longer hair.

The Council can order economic sanctions, arms embargoes, and travel bans to enforce decisions.

In the most serious cases, the Council can approve collective military action.

To enforce its binding decisions, the Council can send peacekeeping forces, cut diplomatic relations, or approve military action.

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Delegates have a great deal to do, which includes giving speeches and forming groups with countries that share their aims.





We must respond to each crisis update as it arrives during the session.

New information arrives during the session, which changes the situation quickly and forces delegates to respond.

A quick response is desirable because updates can change the whole situation within minutes.

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We will write short documents called directives *directives* instead of one long resolution.

The committee *votes* on these *directives*, which take effect *immediately*.

Delegates write and vote on short documents called directives, which replace the long resolutions written over two days.

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Substantive matters are serious questions. The rules require nine votes in favour to decide these matters, which must include the five permanent members.

What happens when we vote on serious questions, which are called *substantive* matters?

Article 27 requires nine votes in favour before the Council can decide anything.

A veto occurs when a permanent member votes no on a substantive matter. This action stops the decision entirely.



If a single permanent member votes no, the decision fails.

This is the veto, which defeats a text even when every other member votes yes.



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An illustration of two women in a futuristic control room. The woman on the left, with dark hair in a bun, is gesturing with her right hand while speaking. The woman on the right, also with dark hair in a bun, is listening. They are both wearing dark blazers over light-colored shirts. The background features various control panels with glowing screens and buttons, and a large window showing a dark, futuristic landscape. The lighting is a mix of blue and purple hues.

A permanent member
can abstain if it does
not wish to support
or block a text.

That is correct,
because an
abstention does not
stop the decision.

To abstain means a member chooses not to vote yes or no. An abstention does not prevent the Council from making a decision.



A **crisis update** is new information that arrives during the session, which forces the committee to change directions quickly.

A **crisis update** brings new information to the committee.

We must adapt, because this new information changes our plans entirely.

A comic-style illustration of two men in dark suits sitting at a console in a futuristic control room. They are both looking at and holding up documents. A bright light from above illuminates the documents and the men's faces. The background shows various control panels and screens.

Directives are
short documents
that give orders.

We use them
because they are fast
and they take effect
immediately.

Directives are short documents used in crisis committees. They give direct orders and take effect immediately after the committee votes to approve them.

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A comic book illustration of two women with short dark hair, wearing long black coats, walking away from the viewer down a futuristic corridor. The corridor has a high ceiling with rectangular light fixtures and walls with various panels and doors. The floor is reflective, showing the women's silhouettes. The overall color palette is dark with blue and purple lighting.

Delegates cannot look up what happened to prepare for this committee because the events take place in the year 2100.

We cannot study the history of these events because they have not happened yet.

The events come entirely from the imagination of the conference staff.

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A comic-style illustration of two men in dark suits and ties, standing in a futuristic room with a glowing red background. Both men are adjusting their ties. The man on the left is of Asian descent, and the man on the right is of European descent. They are both looking forward with serious expressions. The room has a high-tech, industrial feel with metallic surfaces and glowing elements.

Since we cannot research the events, we must practice our quick thinking.

Quick thinking is desirable because this format rewards it more than long preparation.

FACT

To prepare for this committee, delegates must focus on quick thinking rather than long preparation, because the situations are unpredictable.

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