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UNICEF



The United Nations Children's Fund, which is called UNICEF, is the part of the United Nations which works to protect the lives and the rights of children.

What is the focus of this committee?

We focus on children, because we want to protect their lives and and their rights.



When we enter the room, do we share our personal thoughts?

In this committee, every delegate represents one country and speaks for the views of that nation rather than their own views.

UNICEF COMMITTEE EXPLAINER

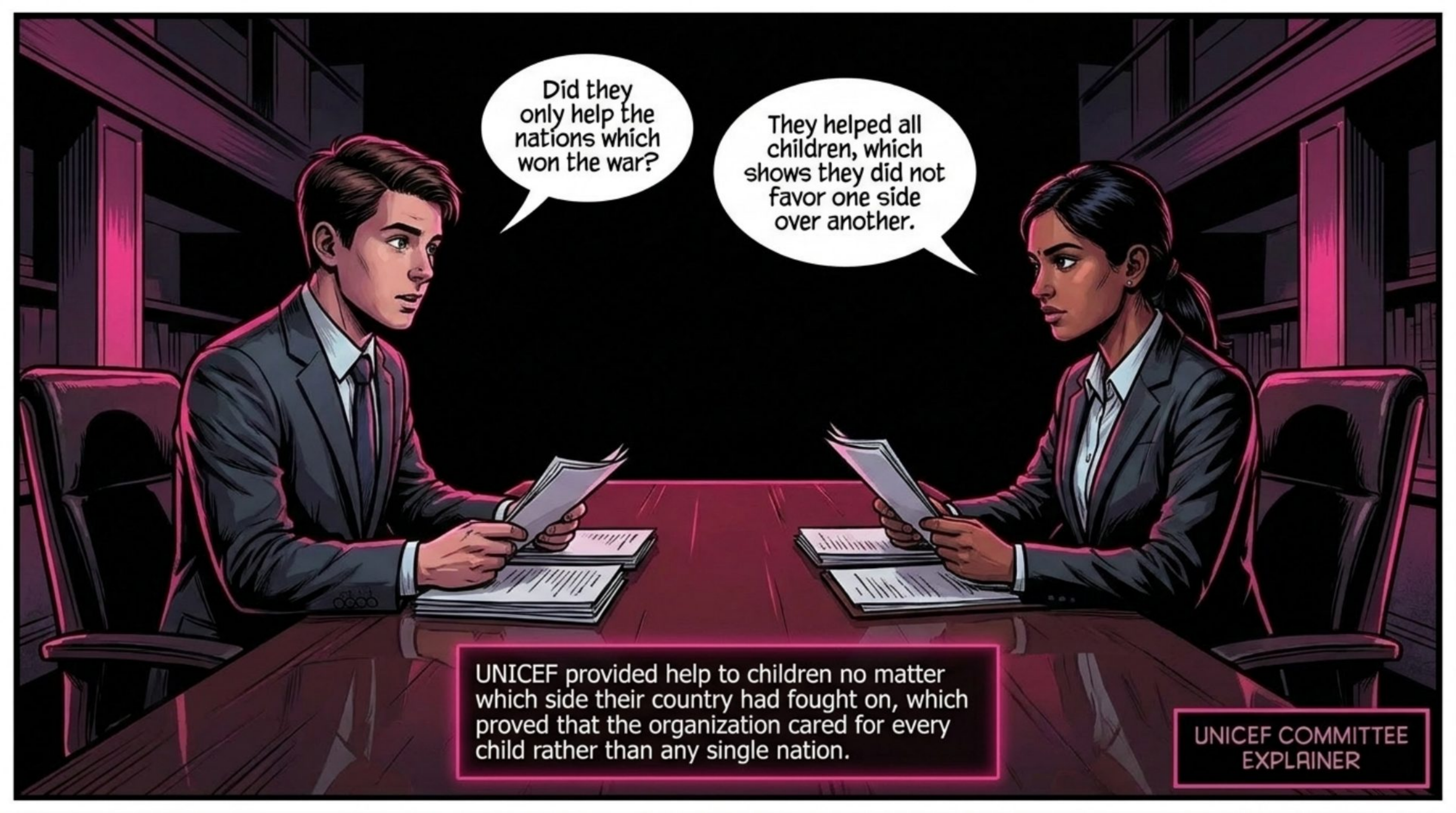


Why did the United Nations create this fund in 1946?

They created it because children in Europe and China needed help after the war.

The United Nations General Assembly created the organization on 11 December 1946 to bring food, clothing, and health care to children whose lives were at risk after the Second World War.

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Did they
only help the
nations which
won the war?

They helped all
children, which
shows they did not
favor one side
over another.

UNICEF provided help to children no matter which side their country had fought on, which proved that the organization cared for every child rather than any single nation.

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For more than seventy-five years, the purpose of UNICEF has been to help every child survive, grow up healthy, and reach their full ability, no matter their location or family wealth.

Does family wealth change the help a child receives?

It does not, because the goal is to help every child reach their full ability.



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The United Nations made UNICEF a lasting agency in 1953. It reports through its own Executive Board and works under the guidance of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council.

Is UNICEF an independent organization?

It is a lasting part of the United Nations, which guides its work.

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Does the regular United Nations budget pay for our work?

We rely on voluntary gifts, which means we can only help when donors give.

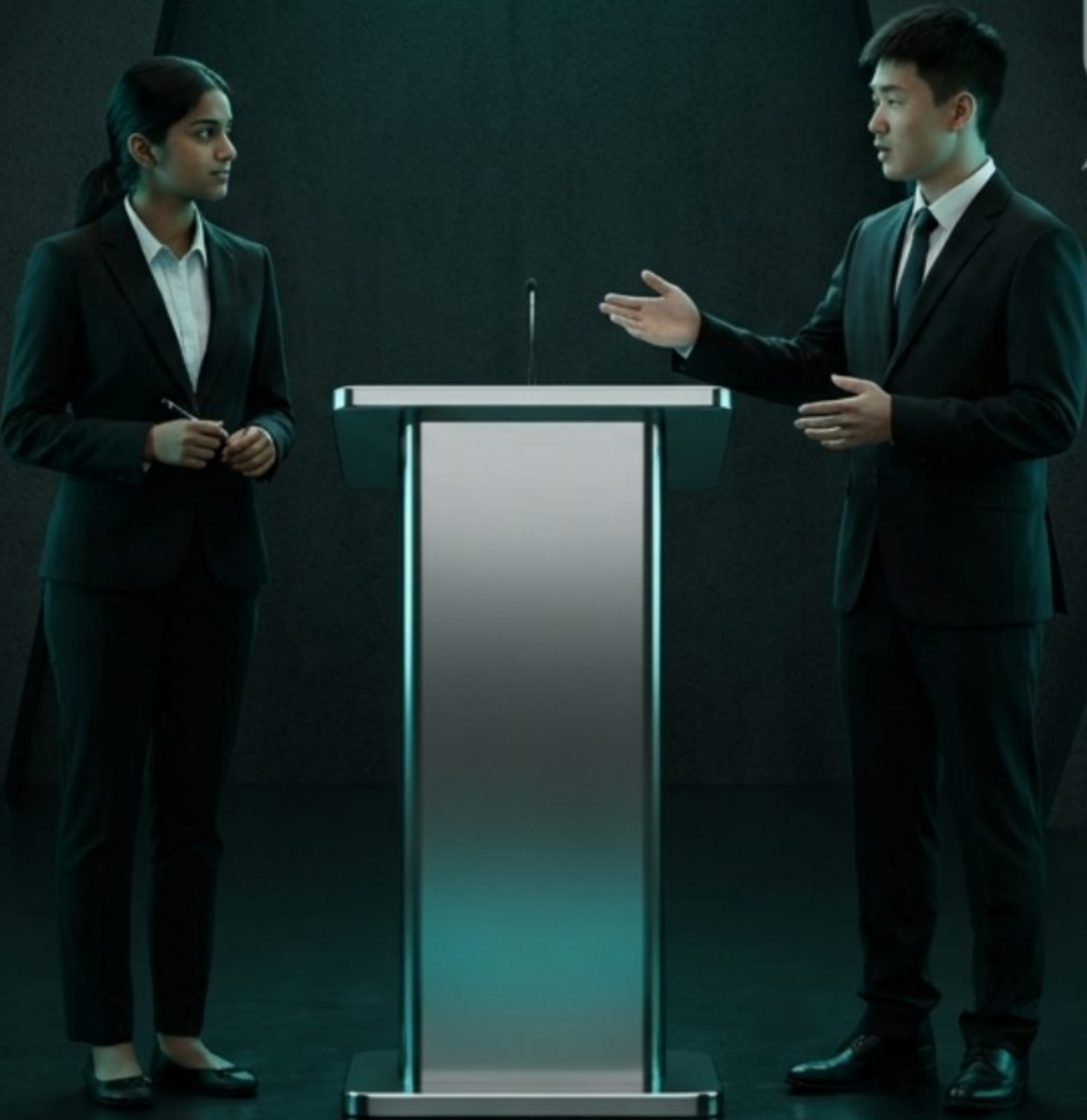
UNICEF relies completely on voluntary gifts from governments and private donors rather than the regular United Nations budget, which means its work expands or shrinks based on the support it receives.

A comic-style illustration of two men in dark suits and light shirts standing in a dimly lit hallway. They are both looking down at a document held by the man on the left. The hallway has dark walls and a floor that recedes into the distance. The lighting is dramatic, with strong highlights and shadows.

Working in more than 190 countries, UNICEF provides nutrition, vaccines, schooling, and protection from harm, and it responds quickly during emergencies. The organization received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1965.

What actions do we support in these territories?

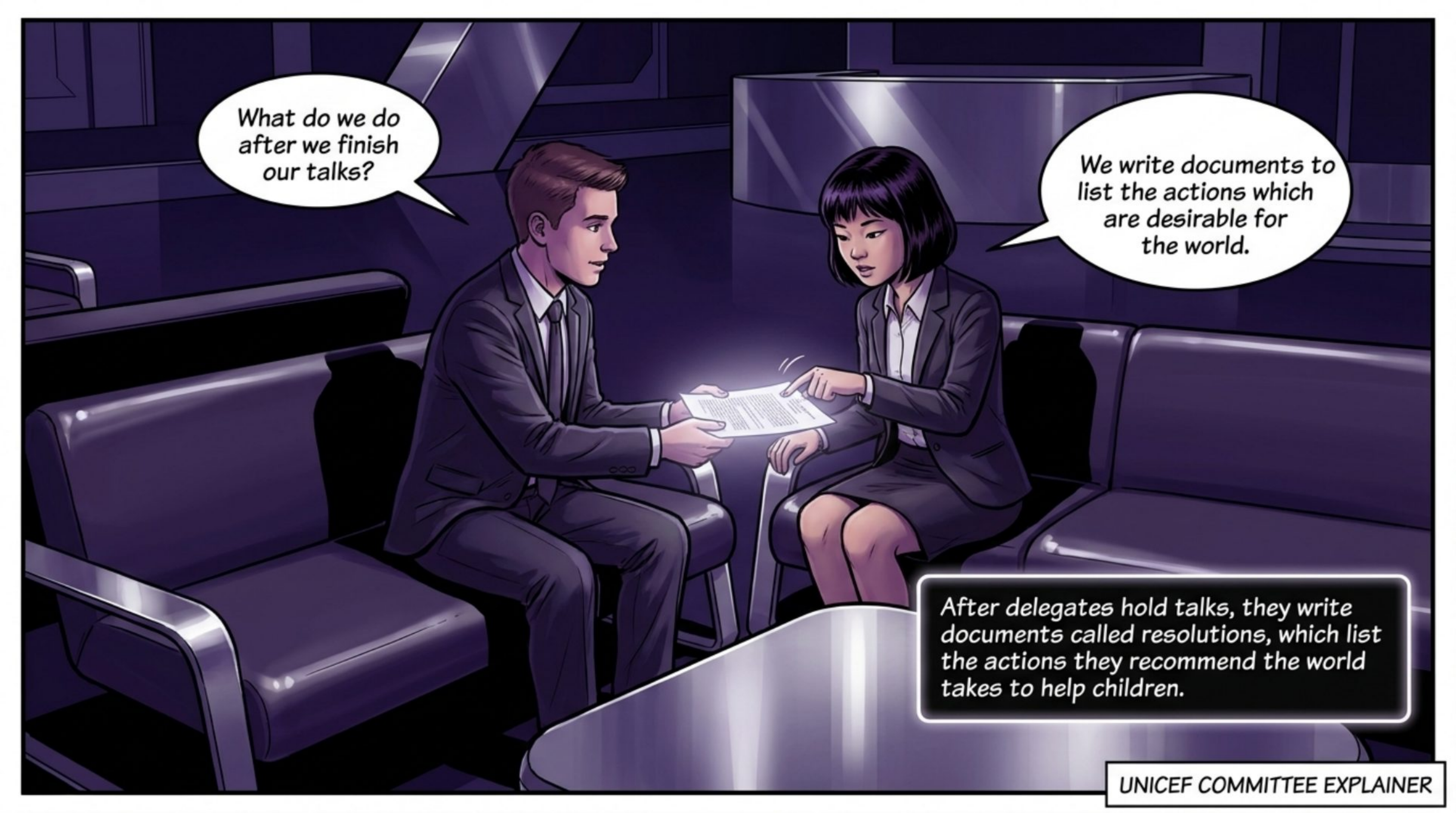
We support schooling and protection from harm, which helps children survive emergencies.



Delegates learn the topic and deliver speeches to explain the position of their nation. They also hold talks with other delegates to build agreement on shared answers.

We give speeches, and then we hold talks with others to build agreement.

How do we share our position with the committee?



What do we do
after we finish
our talks?

We write documents to
list the actions which
are desirable for
the world.

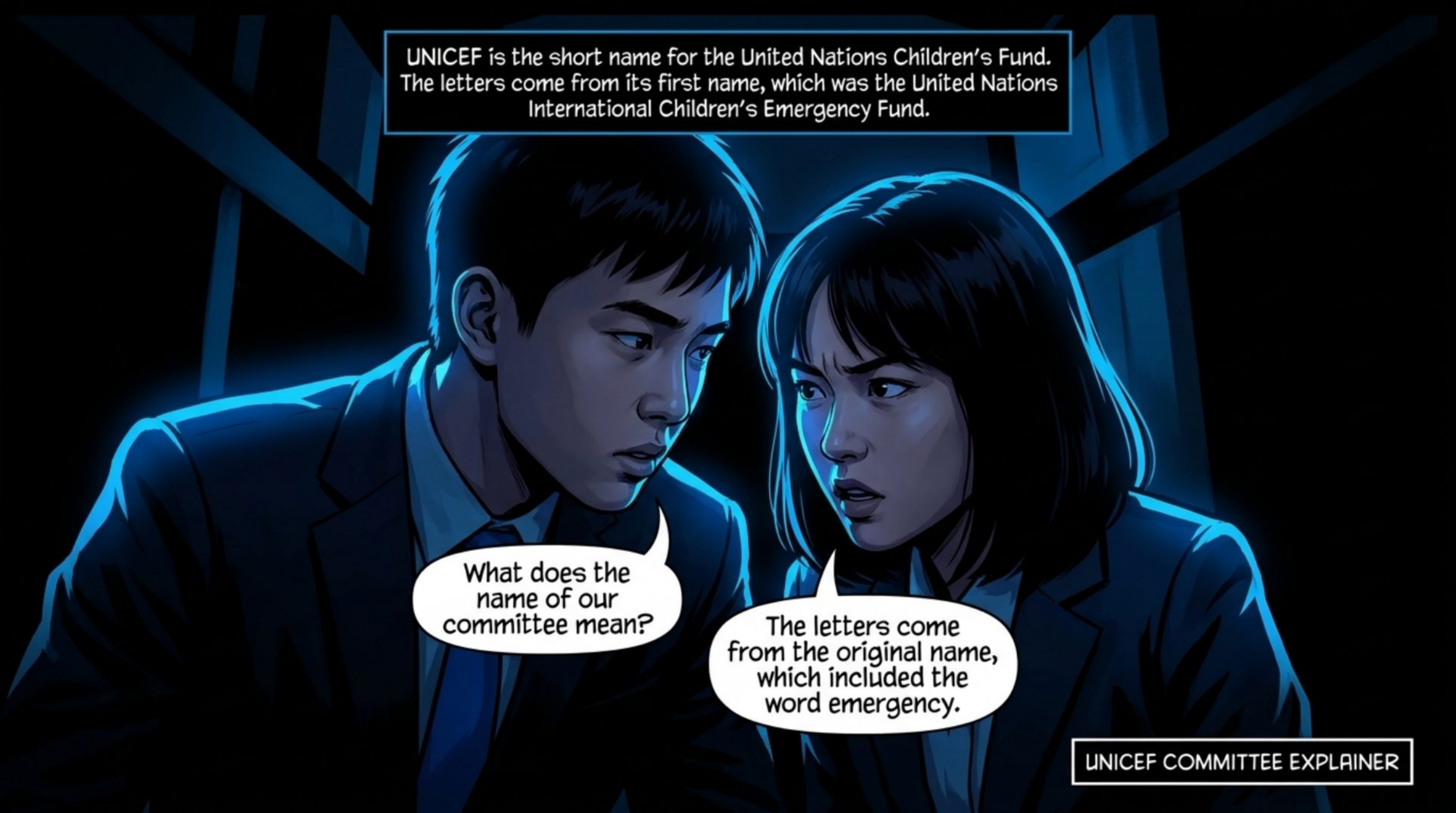
After delegates hold talks, they write documents called resolutions, which list the actions they recommend the world takes to help children.



Finally, the committee votes on the resolutions they drafted. This vote decides which written actions the committee will formally recommend the world takes.

Do we decide the laws of the world?

We do not, because we only vote to recommend actions which help children.



UNICEF is the short name for the United Nations Children's Fund. The letters come from its first name, which was the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.

What does the name of our committee mean?

The letters come from the original name, which included the word emergency.

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What exactly is a resolution?

It is a written document which states the actions we want the world to take.

A resolution is a document which delegates write and vote on. It lists the actions which the committee wants the world to take to help children.

An illustration of a man and a woman in a control room. The woman, on the left, has long brown hair and is wearing a dark blue blazer. The man, on the right, has short dark hair and is wearing a dark blue suit. They are both looking towards the right. In the background, there are several large screens displaying various data visualizations, including bar charts and line graphs. The overall color scheme is dark blue and purple.

Ready-to-use therapeutic food is a special paste which treats severe childhood hunger. According to the UNICEF Supply Division, this treatment helps more than six million children recover each year.

We use a special paste, which helps nine out of ten children get better.

How do we treat severe childhood hunger?

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To prepare for the committee, delegates must study the topic deeply and learn the views of their nation, because this knowledge helps them find shared answers with others.

What is our next step for preparation?

We must study the topic, because we need to know the views of our nation.

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