HMDC Presents...

# Key Words: SOCHUM

Role of Non-Governmental Organizations, Foreign Aid and Local Institutions

These words appear again and again in this committee's report, videos and debates. Knowing them helps you understand other delegates quickly and speak with confidence. Read each meaning, then write a short note or example of your own in the last column.

| Word | Meaning (Oxford Learner's Dictionaries) | My note |
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| **NGO** | non-governmental organization | |
| **humanitarian** | relating to helping people who are suffering and improving the conditions that they are living in | |
| **charity** | an organization for helping people in need | |
| **donor** | a person or an organization that makes a gift of money, clothes, food, etc. to a charity, etc. | |
| **aid** | money, food, etc. that is sent to help countries in difficult situations | |
| **advocacy** | public support that somebody gives to an idea, a course of action or a belief | |
| **civil society** | society considered as a community of citizens linked by common interests | |
| **accountability** | the fact of being responsible for your decisions or actions and expected to explain them when you are asked | |
| **neutrality** | the state of not supporting either side in a disagreement | |
| **impartiality** | the fact of not supporting one person or group more than another | |
| **volunteer** | a person who does a job without being paid for it | |
| **intermediary** | a person or an organization that helps other people or organizations to make an agreement by being a means of communication between them | |
| **consultative** | giving advice or making suggestions | |

Meanings: Oxford Learner's Dictionaries, oxfordlearnersdictionaries.com, Last Accessed: November 7, 2026.