

Position Paper Format for MVHS MUN Conference

If you would like to be considered for a research award, you must turn in your Position Paper to the committee email by **Friday, January 6th at 11:59pm**

12 Point font Times New Roman and 1" borders, 3 pages max per topic (4th page allowed for works cited only).

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PART 1: COUNTRY PROFILE - Single spaced, Outline format.

I. POLITICAL GEOGRAPHY

- a. Official name of country
- b. Type of government, names of government officials, and political parties.
- c. Capital City
- d. International Organization affiliations
- e. Size of armed forces

II. CULTURAL GEOGRAPHY

- f. Official language, other languages spoken, ethnic composition and major religions
- g. Population, population growth rate, and population distribution
- h. Major cities
- i. Infant mortality rate and average life expectancy
- j. Diseases and population percentage of common diseases

III. ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY

- k. GNP or GDP (total and Per Capita)
- l. Natural resources
- m. Major agricultural and industrial products
- n. Major exports and imports
- o. Currency (include current exchange rate)

PART 2: BACKGROUND OF TOPIC – Double Spaced, Paragraph format

Historical background of the topic: What caused the problem? How has it developed? Why hasn't the problem been solved yet? What impact has this problem made on the world/countries? Who is directly involved? Why is this problem to the world? Where and what is this problem leading towards?

PART 3: UNITED NATIONS INVOLVEMENT - Double Spaced, Paragraph format

How and why did the UN get involved? Where is the UN involved? When did the UN become involved? Organs, committees, and agencies of the UN that are involved. NGO's that are involved. UN action: resolutions passed, committees formed, organizations established, peacekeeping forces. Describe if they were successful or not and to what extent.

PART 4: YOUR COUNTRY'S POLICY & ACTIONS - Double Spaced, Paragraph format

The depth of your country's involvement with the topic and why they are involved with this issue. How long has your country been involved? What is your country's position regarding the topic? What actions has your country taken to solve the problem in the past? (Resolutions sponsored, aid sent, peacekeeping troops sent, etc.) What are some possible solutions that your country plans to propose/develop/implement?

PART 5: WORKS CITED - MLA Format