



#### FLOW OF DEBATE

### **Roll Call**

After the Chair's welcome speech, the Rapporteur calls each country's name. Delegates can respond 'Present' or 'The delegation of... is present'. The Rapporteur confirms, 'The delegation of... is present."

# **General Debate (formal)**

ODUMUN committees and councils immediately enter *General Debate*, where delegations are encouraged to make general presentations on their State's priorities and expectations for this session, and which topic to discuss. The Chair sets speaking time (usually 2 minutes). There is no yielding for questions or caucusing during General Debate. After a few speakers, the Chair welcomes a motion to Set the Agenda.

# **★** Setting the Agenda

The Body must choose which topic to discuss. This requires deliberation, with a Speakers' List. This establishes priorities of the Body. Chairs normally allow a moderated caucus for delegates to address the agenda, issues they want to address or suppress, their preferred order, then the matter goes to a vote.

# **Establish Parameters**

After Setting the Agenda, the Body must set a speaking time (2 minutes usually), question and response limit (1 minute usually). The Chair may suggest parameters to the Body for its approval. A Speakers List automatically opens once Parameters are set.

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### **Formal Debate**

General or *Formal Debate* stresses the Speakers List. Delegates raise their placard to be added to the Speakers List and the Chair randomly calls on delegations. Delegate speeches only are allowed in Formal Debate. No delegation questions, motions or caucusing are permitted.

### **Informal Debate**

Normal or *Informal Debate* allows speeches and motions, including motions for caucusing. Usually at least 5 speakers are recognized before the Chair entertains a motion for caucusing, normally moderated, to hear more views. After, the Chair may welcome a motion for an unmoderated caucus. The Chair has discretion to determine how often the Body caucuses and the duration.



*Informal Debate* should lead to unmoderated caucusing to draft *Working Papers* (draft resolutions). These are presented to Dais for approval as Draft Resolutions. If approved these are numbered by the Dais (44/GA1/Small Arms/1).

## **Closure of Debate**

Once the Speakers List has expired or a delegate motions for Closure of Debate and the Body votes in favor, the Body proceeds to Voting Procedure.

## **Voting Procedure**

The Body votes on Draft Resolutions in the order they were presented. The Order of Precedence is Amendments, and finally voting on the Draft Resolution. At the end of voting procedure, the Body moves back to Setting the Agenda (start a new topic), resuming the Flow of Debate.