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A Letter from the Secretary-General

Dear Model United Nations Advisors,

I am pleased to extend an invitation to the 2010 Georgia Tech Model United Nations Conference (GTMUN). Our Secretariat strives to engage students in a forum of riveting debate, and is working hard to ensure that our conference is an enjoyable and educational experience. This year's conference is scheduled for October 18-19 and will be located on the Georgia Institute of Technology campus in the heart of Midtown Atlanta.

Each year, we are delighted to welcome students from across the nation to our campus for the opportunity to develop and debate solutions to pressing issues facing the international community. The conference facilitates the exchange of ideas and growth of professional relationships between participants. We strive to provide a memorable experience for both delegates and advisors. We offer thirteen diverse committees comprised of 15 to over 100 members that address a multitude of topics and improve students' understanding of the UN structure and the intricacies of the diplomatic process. Our staff consists of Georgia Tech students from various fields of study, contributing an array of knowledge and insight with the aid of faculty of the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs. All members of our staff are eagerly anticipating this year's conference and look forward to working with you and your students.

As in past years, the conference will be held in the College of Management Building located in Tech Square. This facility provides an ideal environment for committee simulation and incorporates Georgia Tech's unique blend of technology and education. Furthermore, with its close vicinity to restaurants, hotels, and the Midtown MARTA station, it is a convenient location for all participants.

We are excited to incorporate four new committees into our conference this year: the World Health Organization (WHO), Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ), UN Peacebuilding Commission (UNPBC), and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). In addition to Plenary, Security Council, and the General Assembly committees, we will also be welcoming back the UN High Commissioner for Refugees and the UN Development Program. We feel that all of these committees will bolster our efforts to achieve our goal of providing students with the opportunity to explore global relations through the hands-on experience GTMUN offers.

I am very confident that this year's conference will be a tremendous success, fostering new knowledge and a close relationship between all delegates in the ideals of the United Nations. Please review the enclosed documents for registration information and visit our website at <http://www.gtmun.org>. I wish you the best of luck with your preparations for the conference, and I look forward to welcoming you to our campus in October.

Sincerely,
Kelsie Riemenschneider
Secretary General
GTMUN 2010

"If the United Nations does not attempt to chart a course for the world's people in the first decades of the new millennium, who will?"

-Kofi Annan

"The United Nations is our one great hope for a peaceful and free world."

-Ralph Bunche



What is Model United Nations?

Model United Nations is an educational and entertaining simulation of the function of the United Nations and other similar intergovernmental organizations. Students who participate in Model United Nations are exposed to the intricacies of international diplomacy in a fun and organized setting that serves as an escape from everyday classrooms.

Working under a parliamentary procedure, students will debate and attempt to pass resolutions for some of the world's most pressing problems such as terrorism, human rights, and international law. By assuming the role of a State's diplomatic representative in a number of committee sessions, students are forced to take a global perspective on world events. Model United Nations truly provides students with an opportunity to put into action the principles of international politics that they are taught in the classroom.



GTMUN 2010 Committees

General Assembly Committees

Each member-state of the UN has participation in the General Assembly (GA) committees. GTMUN 2010 will simulate five GA main committees and a Plenary session. These are the First Committee (Disarmament & International Security), Second Committee (Economic & Financial), Third Committee (Social, Humanitarian, & Cultural), Fourth Committee (Special Political & Decolonization), and the Sixth Committee (Legal).

Security Council

The Security Council is tasked with the responsibility of maintaining international peace and security. As such, debate in this committee is vigorous and fast-paced. The simulation will take place with the current members of the Security Council with terms ending 2010 or later.

North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)

A new committee this year, NATO is a intergovernmental military alliance comprised of twenty eight States committed to achieving the goals of the North Atlantic Treaty. NATO acts as a forum to discuss international security and takes joint actions address common concerns among member States.

UN Peacebuilding Commission (PBC)

GTMUN is proud to the incorporate the PBC into the 2010 conference. The PBC is an advisory body which focuses on supporting peace efforts in States emerging from conflict.

Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ)

The CCPCJ is a subsidiary of the Economic and Social Council. CCPCJ develops, monitors, and reviews the implementation and coordination of crime prevention and criminal justice.

UN Development Program (UNDP)

The UNDP embodies the spirit of the UN in helping developing countries through the promotion of programs designed to build better lives and promote sustainable development.

World Health Organization (WHO)

The WHO directs and coordinates leadership in the United Nations on global health matters.. Delegates in the WHO will direct the health agenda, monitor global health trends, and provide support to developing nations.

UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

With its focus on providing immediate and long-term assistance for refugees worldwide, the importance of the UNHCR has only grown as armed conflicts plague many nations. Delegates will debate on an issue that has been around for some time as well as a situation that has often been overlooked.



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About GTMUN

Important Dates:

- Registration opens on 4/12/2010
- Last day of registration is 9/1/2010
- Conference dates are 10/18/2010 and 10/19/2010

All registration for GTMUN 2010 is done online on our website at www.gtmun.org

We look forward to seeing you here!!

Countries will be assigned on a first come, first served basis with a limit of 4 delegations per school until August 1. We feel this is the best way to ensure that many different schools have the opportunity to register. After that date, we encourage schools to sign up for as many other delegations as they would like



The Sam Nunn School of International Affairs



Founded in 1998, GTMUN is a two day conference for high school students that has worked to bring international affairs education into the curriculum of secondary schools. The conference has grown in size over the years, and is now attracting high school students from all over the country. Our conference is run by Georgia Tech students representing a wide array of educational disciplines. The GTMUN staff is pleased to offer thirteen committees this year each of which will be debating several issues topical to the United Nations today.

We have two objectives as an organization. First, we strive to educate and enlighten high school students on a number of international issues. These issues range from the debate over the international political economy to nuclear arms proliferation. Our model United Nations simulation puts students at the forefront of the issues, and forces them to come up with viable solutions within a relatively short amount of time. Through negotiation, compromise, and shrewd maneuvering, students can push their own agendas by passing vote of the entire committee body.

This year's staff is proud and excited to make this GTMUN 2010 the most educational and participant-friendly conference yet. All committees will meet on the Georgia Tech campus in the heart of midtown Atlanta. Being at Tech makes this conference a truly unique experience. GTMUN 2010 is unparalleled in its use of technology to facilitate the United Nations experience.

The facilities provide increased speed in document production through use of our online interface, computerized projections in each committee room on state of the art double projection screens, and a comfortable and professional surrounding including stadium-style seating and access to computer labs.

