Deadline: 29 October 2021, 23.59 CET

Length: 1-3 pages

Content: The position paper should contain three elements.

A. First, it should set the context by:
   - describing the main elements of the problem that will be discussed;
   - explaining why this issue is important for the international community to address;
   - cite relevant statistics that define Member States’ concerns.

Example: [Issue: global road safety] Road traffic injuries are a major public health and development problem that has a broad range of social and economic consequences, which, if unaddressed, may affect the sustainable development of countries and hinder progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals.

The number of road traffic deaths still remains unacceptably high, with an estimated 1.24 million lives lost in 2010. Furthermore, only 7 per cent of the world’s population live in countries that have laws that address important risk factors, such as, the non-use of helmets, safety belts and child restraints, driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs, excessive speed and the inappropriate use of cellular telephones, including texting, while driving.

B. Second, highlight important actions that have been taken by the country you are representing, if relevant, the political or regional groups your country blows to, actions taken by the UN and other Member States that your government thinks should be highlighted.

Example: [Issue: forest related solutions to Sustainable Development] In order to address the challenges posed by climate change within Switzerland itself, it promotes sustainable forest management and has pledged to increase forest protected areas in the country from 4% to 10% by 2030.

C. Third, focus on solutions by:
   - Clearly state what proposals your government will support to address the issue that will be discussed.

Example: [Issue: forest related solutions to Sustainable Development] Switzerland encourages all countries to increase their contributions to the UN Forum on Forests Trust Fund.