

DUNMAN HIGH MODEL ASEAN PLUS SUMMIT



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Study Guide



PRESS CORPS



WELCOME ADDRESS

Dear Press Delegates,

It is our pleasure to welcome you to DHAP's Press Corps! Being a long-standing council at Model United Nations and Model ASEAN conferences, the Press Corps comprises journalists who work on the coverage of council proceedings while representing different news agencies. This year, the Press Corps returns to provide delegates with an even more exciting simulation of the journalism industry.

At DHAP 2019, Press Delegates are granted an exclusive chance to assume the role of journalists from some of the most prominent press agencies in the region and reflect their respective stances in regard to pertinent issues. Ranging from writing news articles to conducting interviews and press conferences in council, DHAP's Press Corps will offer you an opportunity to better appreciate the role of journalism in real-world conferences.

In this edition of DHAP, Press Delegates will be given the chance to be part of press conference simulations where they can raise questions to delegates whom they hope to interview and obtain their responses. This may be used to supplement the articles that are to be written. Through this, the chairs of the Press Corps hope that the unique Press Corps experience at DHAP 2019 can help Press Delegates hone their critical thinking skills through observing and analysing council debate, develop creativity through brainstorming ideas for news articles, and last but not least, instil self-confidence through conducting press conferences.

All in all, the chairs of the Press Corps wish all Press Delegates a fruitful learning experience and an enjoyable DHAP journey ahead! We look forward to seeing you at DHAP 2019!

Warmest regards,

Chairs of the Press Corps

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MEDIA FORMS

Articles

Just like most broadsheet news articles, the ones you write at DHAP 2019 should exhibit coverage of council proceedings, key highlights and other relevant details. Here, delegates may consider featuring the council either through focusing on specific countries, blocs present, or the entire council.

Some questions a Press Delegate might want to consider when writing articles:

- What is the historical context that revolves around the issues discussed, and how was this manifested in debate?
- Who are the key players and what are their interests in the council?
- What are the main points of contention in the council and what is/are its root cause(s)?
- What are the consequences of the actions proposed in council sessions?

News Reports

Delegates can publish news reports to inform readers on council proceedings. These reports will be factual in nature, and they may cover different points of view. News reports tend to have a more formal, neutral tone.

Editorials (Opinion Pieces)

Press Delegates will also be given the chance to write opinion pieces pertaining to their assigned councils. Here, things covered may include delegates' opinions of the issue at hand, the possible repercussions of resolutions raised, or even alternative policies that the delegate deem more suitable. In a way, Press Delegates are also participating in the debate while maintaining a unique birds-eye view of the council. These editorials are a chance for Press Delegates to argue their own positions on the debated issues, albeit having to keep in mind the interests of their nations and political restrictions on journalism they might face.

While most of the content that Press Corps produces is expected to be substantive in nature, editorials may occasionally adopt a light-hearted tone. Press Delegates can shine a spotlight on humorous events which occur during council sessions.

Visual Aids

Press Delegates can choose to use visual content such as cartoons, sketches, pictures, or videos to complement their articles. Press Delegates are reminded to include proper citations for any content that does not belong to them.