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# WHAT IS GOING ON IN COMMITTEES?

## APQ

Can you briefly introduce yourself, and your country as a delegate?

Hi! I'm Andaç and I am a 10th grader from Robert College. I am the Expert of Russia in this conference.

Can you explain your committee's job?

Advisory Panel is a special committee where we "advise" the Secretary-General of the United Nations. Our most important difference is that a consensus must be reached for the clauses and we are not delegates but experts. This makes the debates more interesting and effective in my opinion because it is a difficult task to convince everyone.

What problems are you debating in your committee this year?

Our issues are related to Northern Africa, where we tackle the internal issues of countries: Mali, Morocco, and Libya.

What kind of solutions did you find to these problems?

We found solutions for the main aspects of the problems such as organizing meetings and humanitarian issues.

What is the role of your country?

Russia is mostly involved in the Civil War of Libya. It is an important location for the country due to the government's economic and political interests in that geography.

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Do you find your committee interesting?

Yes, definitely AP is one of my most fun MUN experiences. It is my second AP experience and the environment of this committee is more fun than the most of the other committees in my opinion. But the fun thing about the MUN is that all committees offer different experiences, they are all fun on their own. AP is the one for me.

What are some of the challenges that you had?

Especially in the first round, due to minor errors some of my clauses have been tabled. It is sad that these minor things cause such problems; however, that's the hard and fun part of the Advisory Panel.

What do you find most entertaining about your committee?

The most fun part of this committee is the debating part. Since every little detail is discussed as well, the debating environment is challenging and thus more fun.

## SC

Which country do you represent ?

I am currently representing Belgium in the Security Council.

What do you do in the SC committee?

The Security Council is not very different from a General Assembly committee except for some procedural changes. However, these changes definitely make the committee more enjoyable and special.



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cont. Debating the submissions clause-by-clause rather than as full resolutions brings a lot of complexity to the lobbying session. It also affects the pace of the committee significantly.

**Why did you choose to be a part of this committee?/ What interested you about it?**

There are great procedural differences between the Security Council and any other committee. It was exciting for me to experience how these differences would affect the flow of debate and lobbying. Since agenda items of the SC are more likely to create heated discussions compared to other committees, I can say that another reason was the tone of the debates.

**Which topics are you discussing in the committee this year?**

We have three agenda items this year which are questions of Donbass, Golan Heights and Hezbollah Insurgency. All of our agenda items can easily create controversy in the house, which is one of the fundamental parts of SC.

**What was your favorite part of the committee so far?**

Well, there are a lot of things that I like about the SC. I would say that the size of the committee. Since we have a relatively smaller committee (of 30 delegates), it is easier to get recognized by the chair and participate in. I am not sure if I am allowed to give more than one answer to this question but anyways: having a co-delegate is also a very cheerful experience. It is both very useful during the debates and joyous.

## INTERVIEW WITH HEAD OF PRESS

**What is your job as the head of the Press?**

What the head of press does is to manage the press team in general and plan, assigning parts, recording, shooting, editing and mixing themes, opening and closing videos. Before covid, the press team's job also included visiting committees and taking photographs of chairs and delegates throughout the conference.

**What was something that difficult for you this year since the MUN is hosted online ?**

This year for the opening and closing videos planning part was the one that needed extra care considering we can not physically shoot the video over and over again due to the conference being online.

**What do you most enjoy during MUN?**

I have so many friends here and spending time with them, even working, makes time go by so fast. My main purpose in life is to have fun and RCIMUN is one of the 2 or 3 places that I am in joy even while working since everybody genuinely likes each other and enjoys each other's company.

**Do you think that MUN is a less of an experience because it's online this year?**

No, not for me at least. I don't have much to say about content wise as you would guess. What I miss the most about the conference in general is that I miss being able to take real life photographs of people, the live conference's tiring but exciting speed.



# PERSONALITY TEST

**Do you like debating?**

- a) Only when I am in a comfortable environment.
- b) Only in the topics that I'm interested in.
- c) I was born to be a debater.
- d) Not really my thing.

**Which one describes you the best when in a social gathering?**

- a) Try to get out there as possible so no one notices me.
- b) Quiet.
- c) Loud and outgoing
- d) Social gathering...What's that?

**Are you interested in global problems?**

- a) I only talk about them, and be sad.
- b) I am interested in it but I'm so lazy to try to solve them.
- c) I believe everyone should do their best to prevent global problems because it affects everyone.
- d) The problems don't affect me, why do I care?

**What is your reaction when someone interrupts you when talking?**

- a) I let them finish and warn them to not do it again.
- b) I interrupt them back.
- c) I let them finish and put them in their place with my words after.
- d) I don't say anything and sit back.

**What are you most afraid of?**

- a) Having regrets
- b) Having a bad reputation
- c) Nothing
- d) Failing

**Do you like speaking English?**

- a) I don't love it, but it doesn't annoy me.
- b) I like speaking English, but I need to improve my English.
- c) English is like my mother tongue.
- d) I can't speak my mother tongue properly yet.

# RESULTS

**If A is dominant in your answers:** We can't say that you should avoid being in MUN, but MUN is not really for you. But if you really want to join MUN, we encourage you to do it. What could you lose?

**If B is dominant in your answers:** We are not sure, you are really enthusiastic about being in MUN, but if you prepare well, and don't hesitate, you can be the star of the MUN. Go for it, friend. I saw the MUN light in you!

**If C is dominant in your answers:** Wow, you're the cool friend. You enjoy talking about what's going on around the world. You are MUN material. You are confident when you're making your point. You are social which is great for MUN. You are welcome here.

**If D is dominant in your answers:** You're quiet at first but once you get to know the people around, you become more comfortable and talk more. Well, according to your answers, you don't like discussions that much, socializing is something you hate... MUN is a place where you have to know how to socialize and it's for people who like to discuss. If you don't like it, not sure this is the best place for you. But hey, can't tell you what to do of course.

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# CLOSING REMARKS FROM OUR PRESS TEAM

After four days of hard work and eager discussions, RCIMUN has come to an end for this year. Maybe you waited today with enthusiasm, maybe you didn't want this day to come, but just like every beautiful thing, RCIMUN has come to an end, too. During these four days, as the press team, we tried to do our best to publish well prepared newspapers for you to read. We hope you enjoyed them.

We believe that RCIMUN'21 was an extraordinary, unusual, and whole other experience for everyone. While we were trying to adapt to everything that comes with the pandemic, we also had to transfer RCIMUN to Zoom. We are grateful for all of your contributions and not leaving us alone during this interesting process. We hope you had a great time and a good experience at this year's RCIMUN. We strongly hope and believe that in the upcoming years, we will be able to do our conferences face-to-face at our school just like usual. We can't wait to see your faces and listen to your live discussions again! At last, we really enjoyed this whole process even though it was online. That being said, for some of you, see you at next year's RCIMUN and for the others who are graduating this year, we wish you all the best in your journey.

Stay tuned until RCIMUN'22!

