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BRINGING GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES TO FUTURE LEADERS

Positions Available Inquire Within

By RYAN DONOVAN
AMUN Under-Secretary-General

Become a part of next year's AMUN Secretariat! AMUN encourages Junior and Senior Representatives to consider volunteering to staff the 2006 Conference. Joining the AMUN Secretariat is a great way to experience MUN from a different perspective – and it can be a lot of fun too!

Each year, AMUN hosts a high quality Model United Nations conference with an all-volunteer staff. The 90 person AMUN Secretariat is made up of people from diverse backgrounds and experiences, almost all of whom have previously been representatives at AMUN. Law students, undergraduate students, graduate students, and professionals from a variety of fields all serve on staff.

AMUN is currently recruiting volunteers for all departments:

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Home Government, Delegate Services, Committee/Council Dais Staff, Simulation Staff, International Court of Justice, International Press Delegation, and Conference Services.

All AMUN Secretariat members are required to attend two training meetings held in Chicago. The first meeting is held over Labor Day weekend and the second training session is held two days before the Conference begins.

We also ask all staff to participate in a pre-conference working group. Pre-conference working groups involve either conducting research for the *Issues at AMUN* handbook or helping to increase conference publicity and outreach to other schools. Your at-conference assignment will be participating in one of the departments during conference.

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If you are interested in joining staff or have questions about it, we encourage you to ask a current member of the secretariat about their experiences. All AMUN Secretariat are wearing blue staff badges. Staff information sheets and applications are available at conference services and in each committee room. Interviews for Secretariat positions will be held on Sunday and Monday.

“Never in the history of the United Nations have bold decisions been more necessary. And never have they been more possible”
Secretary-General
Kofi Anan
60th Anniversary of the
UN Charter
26 June 2005

Secretary-General Welcomes Reps

16 years later, AMUN still brings global perspectives to future leaders

By RENE HENDRIX
AMUN Secretary General

Welcome!
On behalf of the Secretariat, I would like to welcome you to the 16th annual American Model United Nations International (AMUN).

AMUN is proud to call Chicago our home and we encourage you to take advantage of the attractions this world class city offers (especially on your Monday afternoon off), but please remember to remove your credentials when you leave the hotel.

Over the next four days, our goal is to provide you with a learning experience unparalleled by the classroom setting as you explore the issues and challenges facing you, the distinguished representatives of your country.

Throughout the conference you will be striving to promote the interests of your government while upholding the principles of the UN Charter. You will find yourself confronting people, concepts and principles that pose direct obstacles to that pursuit. Diplomacy and knowledge will provide you with the tools to overcome those obstacles.

The issues and challenges facing the delegations at the AMUN Conference are as crucial to the world as they have ever been. Our agenda at AMUN this year spans nearly the full breadth of topics that the organs of the United Nations are considering today from fundamental issues of human rights to economic development and social equality.



Left: Representatives pay close attention to the Secretary General as they are welcomed to the AMUN 2004 Conference.

Below: The AMUN Secretariat is responsible for facilitating meetings and assisting Representatives and all conference needs.

Photos Courtesy of Peter Kelley

The General assembly will attempt to address issues affecting every UN Member State, ranging from the proliferation of nuclear weapons to the eradication of poverty.

The Economic and Social Council will pursue its mandate as it explores the issues of human settlements and genetic privacy and non-discrimination. The International Court of Justice will attempt to bring legal order to a sometimes chaotic world, and the Security Council will strive to bring peace to the world and piece together broken nations.

After months of preparation, you have arrived ready to tackle the issues facing the world today.

Crafting policies and solutions that will have positive effects on

the global community and be acceptable by a consensus of the Member States is a daunting task.

The challenge of diplomacy is one of the greatest placed before each Member State of the United Nations.

I know each of you is up to the task that lies before you and I hope you find the process and the experience, not just the end result, rewarding.

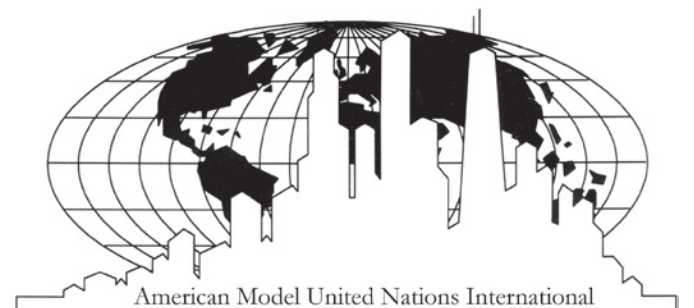


WHAT WILL AMUN DISCUSS NEXT YEAR?

The United Nations agenda covers hundreds of issues each year. Ever wonder how AMUN decides which issues to put on the agenda? Do you have a burning issue that you want to recommend for next year's agenda? Then come to the Committee on the Agenda meeting and contribute your suggestions for topics to be discussed at the 2006 AMUN Conference.

The Committee on the Agenda will meet on Tuesday, 21 November at 11:00am in the Michigan Rooms.

It is highly recommended that each school send a representative to this important meeting. The AMUN Secretariat looks forward to your participation.



Help the Secretariat decide which issues to discuss at AMUN Next year

The AMUN Embassy Ball



Representative Dance

10:00pm Monday

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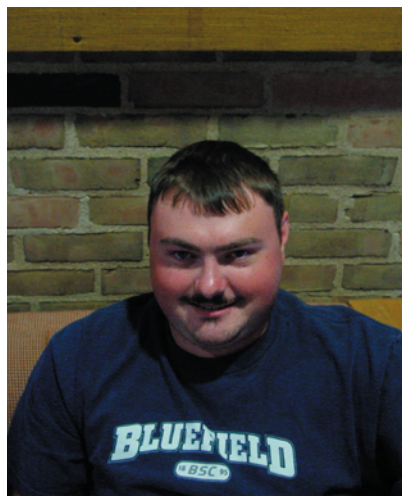
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- Credentials must be worn at all times while in hotel. Please remove when leaving the hotel.
- Smoking is only permitted outside the hotel.
- Diplomatic Courtesy Please turn off pagers and wireless phones off and mute your laptops.
- For your enjoyment, and in the spirit of diplomatic courtesy to other guests of the hotel, the Waves Lobby Bar area (Lobby Area) is available for you to caucus and socialize after hours beginning 10:00pm Saturday and Sunday.
- For information on what there is to do in Chicago, please visit Conference Services.

MEET THE PRESS

A Letter from the Editors



Welcome to the AMUN Chronicle- your source of information for the latest news and happenings at the 2005 AMUN International Conference.

Unlike most papers you will read, the Chronicle offers political insight and news on international topics discussed only at this conference. Our mission is to keep you informed on the happenings of all of the ballrooms and all of the Member States.

The Chronicle is here to keep you informed and up-to-date on what exciting topics are discussed in other committees and councils. The Chronicle is a vehicle for diplomatic interaction as a forum for Representatives to extend caucus beyond committee doors. Representatives can take advantage of press releases, Letters to the Editor, and for more suggestive non-substantive issues, (wink, wink) personal ads.

The International Press Delegation (IPD), a group of writers and editors, produce The Chronicle. The IPD also coordinates the AMUN Press Conferences, which are held every day in the Colorado Room.

These Press Conferences are open to all, and regularly attended by reporters, faculty, and executive members of the AMUN Staff. As a delegation or a bilateral group, Representatives can inform fellow Member States of important issues in their countries and committees.

We look forward to producing an exceptional paper, and anticipate grand readership. Your comments and suggestions are readily encouraged. Contact us at ipd@amun.org.

Thanks for reading,
Rudy, Joy and Brandon

Our Fabulous Reporters

COLLIN BOCKMAN
International Press Delegate



Greetings fellow delegates. My name is Collin Bockman, I am a junior at Iowa State University majoring in English, and this will be my third year at AMUN.

Writing has always been my ambition in life. When I joined the International Press Delegation for last year's AMUN, I knew I had found my place at the conference and the role that I could best contribute to it - a role that combined my love of writing with my interest in global politics. I have no long-term journalistic ambitions and am returning to the Chronicle because I had an excellent time on IPD last year. IPD definitely offers a unique experience to delegates, and I believe the Chronicle adds a great deal to the conference overall.

Outside of college life and writing, I enjoy playing guitar and longboarding. My favorite album of all time is Fantastic Planet by Failure.

While working for the Iowa State Daily, I enjoyed writing for the features section since feature writing offers a little more freedom for expression. I hope to contribute some unique articles about the culture and atmosphere of AMUN to this year's Chronicle, as well as report on one or more committees.



ERIKA DE SER GALINDO
International Press Delegate

I have no doubt that the experience of acting, as a reporter on the International Press Delegation will provide me with a unique opportunity to see how international journalism functions inside the United Nations. The benefits obtained at the conference, however, are not restricted to the conference itself, or to my personal develop-

ment. I study journalism at the Catholic University of Pernambuco (UNICAP), Brazil, which lacks a center for media studies, especially international media. The creation of an International Journalism Department is one of the projects that will be put into practice in the following months.

International coverage in Brazil had moments of great importance, mostly during the years of military dictatorship, when international reports were used to fill the empty spaces created by the censorship. During the 90s, even the biggest media corporations had reduced the number of journalists working abroad. Now, there is a significant increase in the number of offices in other countries, requiring a closer observation of how international matters are brought up.

Attending AMUN will also be a great opportunity for me to observe the role of developing countries in international politics, specifically Latin America.

NATASHA WASINSKI
International Press Delegate



While I dream of someday contributing my energies to an international organization, I am also enthralled by the idea of working as a foreign correspondent.

Being a member of the International Press Delegation will give me a taste of the two things I live for: writing and the world.

I am a junior majoring in communication and international studies with a minor in French (oui!) at Loyola University Chicago.

I am an assistant news editor for our newspaper, The Phoenix, as well as a coordinator for The Global Health Campaign, a student-run organization that focuses specifically on child survival.

My purpose as both journalist and activist is simple yet the task itself proves to be difficult at times. I am an idealist at heart. My friends tease me and ask, "How did you save the world today, Tasha?"

I tell them it's not about saving; it's about experiencing the world. It's about observing the world, and learning from others and loving it all.

At this conference I expect to meet others my age that wear the same global glasses.

I send my regards to the delegates and look forward to listening and reporting their dialogue.



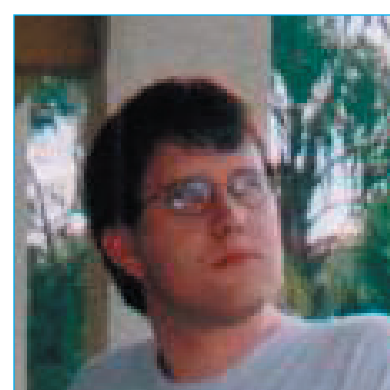
WESLEY RILEY
International Press Delegate

Wesley Riley is a graduate student in Government at California State University, Sacramento, where he earned his B.A. in 1993 in Government with a concentration in International Relations. He enjoys political theory, the underdog, and creative political causes.

He is currently employed as a computer programmer with the State of California, where he has worked since he graduated. He attended his first Model UN conference in New York in 1991, and his first AMUN conference in 2003.

His earliest experience in journalism was a weekly opinion column for a small West Sacramento newspaper in 1993-1994, which is long since defunct, although not because of his columns.

When he's not writing or reading, he likes riding his bicycles and listening to blues. Some of his greatest achievements are raising a teenage son, climbing Mt. Whitney, and winning the Northern California/Nevada "Best All Around Rider" cycling jersey.




THOMAS KNAPP
International Press Delegate

Thomas Knapp is a second year student at Grand Rapids Community College, with a major in History, emphasizing in European history after World War

II. He has always held writing as a hobby, mostly in works of creative fiction, and is looking forward to the opportunity to explore the more professional side of his second craft.

During this summit, he hopes to get an idea as to how the United Nations has progressed from its inception after the Second World War, and to examine how it has changed and adapted to the varied shifts in the global climate.

Thomas has experience in freelance work with submissions to the Northwood Writers newsletter, as well as articles written for the Detroit Sports Rag internet magazine.




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Colorado Room

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Editorials, Press Releases, Letters to the Editor and Personals to the AMUN Chronicle should be submitted, in writing, to the International Press Delegation Office in the Colorado Room. Any topic concerning the Conference or world issues is acceptable. All submissions must be legible. The Secretariat reserves the right to accept, edit or reject all submissions.

OH SO PERSONAL ...

Brian and Carrie: Thank you for meeting, and deciding that you loved each other enough to put on a college conference for the rest of your lives. May we be a part of your staff for the next 16 years!

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There are some exceptionally beautiful women in the International Press Delegation. Please go look for yourselves. (And pick up a Press Release Form)

To all the great people that helped set up Delegate Services, Thank you so much! It wouldn't have happened without you. I owe you one! Brent Maxwell

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Javier hearts Sandra

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Adam loves SC and HSC

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Hey Joe ... Whaddya know?

YEAR OF TERROR

The Historic Security Council retraces 1972

By JUSTIN HOLDRIGE Under-Secretary-General for Administration

Greetings distinguished representatives. Today is January 11, 1973. The Secretary-General has requested that you receive a briefing on the standing of United Nations affairs over the last year, as we enter the New Year.

The ideological conflict between the Western nations



American soldiers look through the remains of the Vietnamese in a mass grave

and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics appeared to be entering a cooling-off period on May 26, 1972 with the signing of the SALT Treaty by American President Nixon and Soviet Premier Brezhnev.

In addition to the SALT Treaty, further positive news followed when the United States and the People's Republic of China commenced diplomatic relations with each other on February 28, 1972, and continued discussions for full renormaliza-



Prisoner of the Vietnam War

tion. This closely followed the October 25, 1971 passage of General Assembly resolution 2758 recognizing the People's Republic as the sole representative of the Chinese people. Subsequently Japan normalized relations with the People's Republic of China while breaking relations with the Republic of China on September 29, 1972. However, a threatening situation has developed between the People's Republic of China and the USSR. Following the armed clashes between the two states over Zhenbao (also known as Damanskiy) Island in 1969, both sides increased troop levels on their common border, increasing the amount to over 3 million.

In Asia – The situation in Indochina continues to appear dire. The bombings of Hanoi and Haiphong from December 18-29, 1972 by the United States, ordered by American President Richard Nixon, have come to a close. Currently negotiations continue in Paris, led by American National Security Advisor Henry Kissinger and North Vietnamese negotiator Le Duc Tho with a potential agreement in sight.

The situation in neighboring Cambodia, however, is degenerating very quickly. During the Fall of 1972, the People's Army of Vietnam began to withdraw from Cambodian territory, leaving only 8,000 soldiers in Cambodia. In response, Khmer Rouge forces, under the leadership of Pol Pot, have increased their operations. In a surprise move, a group of 30 countries swung to support the claimed government-in-exile of Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the Government of National Union of Kampuchea ("GRUNK"). As a result, GRUNK was seated at the August 1972 Non-Aligned Conference of Foreign Ministers instead of Lon Nol's recognized government. Furthermore, on Sept. 29, 1972, the Foreign Minister of the Khmer Republic, Long Boret, asked the General Assembly to "intervene to help to call an immediate halt to a systematic and foolhardy aggression on the part of North Vietnam."

Earlier last year, on the Indian subcontinent, on July 2, 1972, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and Pakistani President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto signed the Simla Agreement, ending the war those two nations fought

in December of 1971. This agreement established the ceasefire's "Line of Control" as a border between the two states.

In the Middle East – Ongoing disputes continue to be in the thoughts of the Secretary-General. As a result



Funeral of Israeli Athlete killed at Munich Olympics by Terrorists

of the September 5, 1972 Munich Olympics attacks and sustained assaults on the Northern District of Israeli, Prime Minister Golda Meir in September 1972 ordered armored units from the Israeli Defense Force to enter the Ej Jnoub District of Lebanon



British troops try to control an Irish group of protestors in January 1972

and the Golan Heights in an attempt to halt the Palestinian rebel attacks.

Turning now to Africa, following Ugandan President Idi Amin's August 7, 1972 order of expulsion of his country's Asian residents, an already declining economic situation has continued to worsen. Additionally in September 1972, it was

Israeli rhetoric. Most recently, President Amin's seizure of all foreign owned tea plantations and eight of the largest corporations has increased concern over destabilization in the region.

Secretary-General Waldheim continues to be concerned about the deteriorating situation regarding Ian Smith's illegal regime in Rhodesia. As you know, the council has been considering how best to enforce the economic sanctions imposed under resolution 314, and the cessation of diplomatic relations called for under resolution 318 both of which were passed last

year. Additionally, the United Kingdom's continued rejection of draft independence agreements centers around President Smith's refusal to formulate a majority rule plan for Rhodesia. There have been increased raids by Zimbabwe African National Union and Zimbabwe African People's Union guerillas, launched from bases in Zambia and the Portuguese colony of Mozambique. The Secretary-General is also actively involved in Southwest Africa. Per your request in Resolution 309, he has been in contact with the Prime Minister Vorster of South Africa over that nation's illegal administering of Namibia.

In the Americas – Latin America continues to be undergoing a period of political instability. Ecuador and Honduras had military coups on February 15 and December 4 of last year, respectively. In El Salvador, a flawed election led to a revolt by members of the army, commanded by Colonel Benjamin Meija, on March 25. The economic situation in Chile continues to worsen, with inflation skyrocketing. In October, there was a strike by truck drivers, retail merchants, and professionals, leading President Salvador Allende to bring military fig-

ures into his government. And finally turning to



United Nations Secretary-General Karl Waldheim at a press conference on 11, November 1972

Europe – Unfortunately, Northern Ireland also seems to be deteriorating. In response to the Bloody Sunday incident, there were a series of bombings and shootings linked to the Irish Republican Army. The most notable occurred on July 21, 1972, when twenty-two bombs exploded in a one-mile radius in Belfast over the course of forty-five minutes, in what is now being dubbed "Bloody Friday" killing nine.

Additionally, on December 21, 1972, the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic formally recognized each other leading to the possibility of deescalation of tensions in the region.

In conclusion, the obsta-



Refugees from Uganda sent to the United Kingdom by order of their president Idi Amin

cles to the goal we all share of preserving international peace and security are formidable but not insurmountable. The Secretary-General wishes you the best of luck in performing your duties and will remain at your disposal.

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- Need to find that integral piece of research that will drive home your argument?
- Lost your copy of the document everyone in your committee is talking about?
- A bit confused about your country's position?

Home Government, located in the Mississippi Room on the Meeting Room Level, can help. As the Conference's substantive information center, Home Government can assist in providing answers to questions that arise during conference. By submitting an information request, representatives can ask one of our experienced researchers to locate documents to help guide policy discussions.

Another option is to request a briefing, a one-on-one discussion with a Home Government staff member to more fully explore a complicated topic. Home Government can also provide briefings for your entire committee to clarify an issue, or can provide role players for unrepresented countries, non-governmental organizations, and parties to the dispute. For more information on role players, please ask your dais staff or simulation director.

Home Government will open 15 minutes before sessions begin and will remain open 15 minutes after sessions close.