

# Press Corps :

Crisis

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# Letter to Reporters:

Dear Reporters, it's a pleasure to welcome you to SPISMUN 2025. My name is Isabella García and I'm honored to be your Director and to introduce you to your moderator Mia Camila Castro. Together we will work as you chair for SPISMUN 2025 in the Press Corps committee. We are honored to be your chair in this MUN and help you create memorable moments and experiences.

As a reporter, you will interview and interact with other delegates (committees), during the sessions you'll be reporters based on the workings of a committee. MUN will be challenging sometimes and you'll need to think and work quickly, but with time you'll gain new experiences and the outcome will be worth it. It can also be stressful but with knowledge you'll be able to find ways to overcome it. Always remember to work hard and try to do your best, you're the only one who can limit yourself.

As your chair, we will do our best to make this SPISMUN 2025 an enjoyable experience. We also expect noteworthy work. I am happy to be your director and provide help if needed. I also hope for you to have the best enjoyable experiences and memories! It was a pleasure to introduce myself, see you soon delegates!

Sincerely,  
PC Chair



# History of the Committee:

Press Corps was first founded in 1984-1995. By the model of UNCA (United Nations Correspondent Association). An extension of the UN, which was unofficially announced since it was founded. Having more than 6.9 million people and more since that time. More than 200+ journalists from several countries and several publications. More importantly, the UNCA represents reporters in the discussions with the UN secretariat to resolve global problems. The journalists cover the multiple issues occurring in the committees. Later on, to participated in press conferences with UN officials. Writing about the multiple problems discussed on the topic. One of the first official appearances of the Press Corps was in the White House. In the conference at Washington D.C., meanwhile, President Abraham Lincoln gave the speeches. At first, there were just a small bunch of Washington correspondents while President James Madison was in office, but this figure increased to hundreds by the 20th century and then to thousands by the 21st century. Therefore, reporters concentrated on covering specific parts of the national government. At the end of the 19th century, some editors and publishers of well-known city newspapers started focusing more on the president, resulting in the creation of a specific press area in the White House in 1896. While engaging more with journalists in Washington and trying to shape public perception, the White House developed fresh methods for spreading its political message. In 1913, President Woodrow Wilson initiated biweekly meetings, establishing the blueprint for contemporary press conferences. One hundred reporters took him by surprise. Although the meetings were helpful for the president and the reporters, Wilson found it difficult to be open with the journalists, even though there were rules of confidentiality. He stopped conducting press briefings in July 1915. Following his victory in the 1916 election, the meetings resumed, although not as regularly. This, and more, are some examples of the presence of reporters in important UN conferences.

# General Procedure inside the committee:

The press corps is a group of journalists who report and describe the committee selected. The role of reporters in the press corps committee is to act as journalists. The participants of this committee will refer to themselves as reporters, sometimes called for, their names (selected Quorum). A position paper won't be required, a newspaper will be written during the sessions in the committee. Reporters have the opportunity to attend different committees. During one of the first sessions, reporters will be able to select a committee during the event, regular and special.

So, reporters will write a report, that includes photos, small details and well-described topics about the committee, and few or no spelling mistakes. A crisis isn't present during any session, and reporters are allowed to work in groups of two. They will be able to choose a committee to cover, only one team or one reporter can be in a committee at a time.

Reporters are responsible for writing a structured report with details about what is happening in the committee following the presentation guidelines. Only two reporters can be in the same committee at once, they should also be prepared to adapt if certain conditions or preferences can't be met. The report should be well written and structured, with the correct report format, and should include the following statements. These steps are crucial for the writing of a well-structured newsletter.



# Report format:

## 1. Headline

- The title of the article, should be concise, clear, and engaging. It should give the reader a strong idea of what the report is about.

## 2. Byline

- The name of the reporter and their press agency (if applicable). This can be formal or informal depending on the conference guidelines.

## 3. Lead/Opening Paragraph

- This is the introductory paragraph that provides a summary of the article. It answers the key questions: who, what, where, when, and why (sometimes how). The lead should capture the reader's attention and provide the most important information right at the beginning.

## 4. Body

- The body of the report elaborates on the lead with more details and analysis. It includes several components:

### a. Context and Background

- A brief background on the topic being discussed in the committee.

### b. Key Events/Developments

- Highlight specific moments during the committee session, such as speeches, debates, amendments, or voting procedures. This should detail the progress of discussions, motions that were passed, and the stances of various countries or delegates.

### c. Quotes from Delegates

- Include direct quotes from interviews with delegates or speeches made during the debate. This adds authenticity and depth to the report.

### d. Analysis and Implications

- Analyze the significance of the events in the committee and their potential impact. Discuss any divisions, emerging alliances, or unexpected outcomes. This part can also offer predictions direction of the debate.



# Report format:

## 5. Conclusion

- A summary or final thoughts on the ongoing debate or issue. It can hint at what to expect next in the committee or reflect on the day's key achievements.

## 6. Photographs/Graphics (Optional)

- In some Press Corps, reporters are encouraged to include visual elements such as photos from the committee session, infographics, or charts related to the debate. These should be relevant and contribute to the reader's understanding of the issue.

## 7. Sources/Attributions (if applicable)

- While most MUN Press Corps articles don't require formal citations like academic papers, it's important to mention any external sources used, especially for background information. This can be done informally within the text (e.g., according to a 2023 UN report

# Awards:

**Best Reporter:** The Best Reporter award goes to the most outstanding reporter who showed impeccable work, and excellence in writing, interviewing, leadership, and reporting throughout the conference, among others. It's awarded based on the quality, depth, and consistency of their articles. The article must be well written and well structured to be able to win the award.



# Committee Selection:

## REGULAR COMMITTEES AND TOPICS:

- WWF: Tackling and preventing forest deforestation
- WHO: Preventing teenage addiction to drugs.
- UNICEF: Assessing child malnutrition.
- UNSC: tackling the consequences of blood diamonds in Western Africa.
- UNGA: Advocate for Indigenous Sovereignty and Self-Government in the Western Sahara.
- CSW: Dealing with the Population Imbalance Due to Education and Fertility Rate's Negatives Correlation and the Consequences of Motherhood in the Workplace
- UNODC: Measures on the Manufacturing of Opioids and the Alteration of Fentanyl-Based Medications in Mexico that Get Transported to the US.
- UNHCR: Economic and Social Well-Being of V Venezuelan Refugees
- UNOOSA: Mitigating Space Debris to assure Sustainable Space Activities in the Future
- WEF: Transforming the Metaverse to secure its safe Development
- FIAEA 2050: Efforts for Post-Conflict Nuclear Cleanup and Rehabilitation in Ukraine and Russia
- OMC: Facilitar las medidas comerciales globales con un enfoque principal en el sector agrícola
- OEA: Contrarrestando el Tráfico Ilícito de Drogas y el Crimen Organizado en América

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND TOPICS:

- The Court of Cleopatra: Intrigue and Betrayal at Cleopatra's Court
- Roman Senate: The Role of the Senate in the Aftermath of Caesar's Assassination
- Comité Histórico de Partidos Políticos (CHPP): Controversias sobre políticas sociales y derechos humanos
- Fashion Industry Environmental Impact Council (FIEIC): Waste Reduction Strategies
- NFL: A Critical Issue Shaping the Future of Football
- The Last Of Us: Crisis Committee

# Closing:

Thanks, reporters for the determination in which you will apply the sessions. The moderator and Director will be loyal and helpful in the doubts about the process and creation of the newspaper. We know this committee isn't simple. Having to start from scratch and not knowing about the committees is difficult. More importantly, implementing information about delegates' opinions, of the committee crisis and status, and a quick resume of the inventions. May be more difficult than searching for information about a specific group/country.

The Chair will try to make this experience truthful and enjoyable and make you reporters remember, SPISMUN2025, as special and unique. We will make it possible for your enjoyment, and try to make you feel comfortable with this committee. Make it with courage, innovatively feel confident, and challenge, and make this experience exciting. So enjoy this opportunity to give the best of you. And remember, Press corps can be an art, and an opportunity to learn, just if you see it like that.

Feel free to express yourself and your questions.

With a sincere gratitude  
Your moderator- Mia Camila





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