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Hello delegates! Welcome to SPISMUN del Paseo 2024. I am very excited to address you as the Chief of Special Committees. I hope you have a wonderful experience debating!

Your judges for this conference will be Emiliano Castillon, Sofia Naranjo, and Miranda Valenciano.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at:

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Kind regards,

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Chief of Special Committees

NOTE:

In light of the unique nature of this committee, it is important to note that the traditional practice of writing position papers will not be followed, as this is a crisis committee. Instead, participants are expected to bring their tablet or laptop to engage in a short investigation during the meeting.

Once again, due to the unique nature of the committee, participants are allowed to use personal pronouns rather than formal delegation possessive pronouns (e.g., “My delegation,” “Your delegation”) when addressing fellow participants. Rather than referring to other participants as “Delegates” in this committee, they will be referred to as “Disputants.”



I. Introduction

The Dispute Dialogue Forum is an integral part of SPISMUN2024, as one of the unique committees that have been specifically designed for the conference by the secretariat. The DDF serves as a platform for participants to engage in discussions on modern, pressing, and controversial issues that society currently faces. The committee's main objective is to foster productive debates between two opposing teams, each tasked with building a compelling case for their stance. Through rigorous research, critical thinking, and persuasive arguments, participants can engage in informed, reasoned discussions on complex questions.

II. Debate Flow

1. Motion to Open Forum:

This is the initial motion to start the debate session. Once approved, it officially begins the forum where participants can engage in discussions.

2. Issue Presentation:

This is the time when the issue that will be debated during the session is presented by either of the Judges. It sets the framework for the arguments and discussions that will follow.

3. Motion to Split Forum:

This motion is proposed to divide the participants into two blocs: one in favor of the topic and the other against it.

4. Motion for Meeting:

After the forum is split into two blocs, each bloc holds a meeting to research the topic and prepare arguments to support their respective

positions. (The time for each meeting is generally set to what the judges recommend.)

5. Motion to Present Stances:

Once the time for the meeting ends. This motion is made by one of the blocs to present their stances first. It allows one side to lay out its position and supporting evidence before the opposing side presents theirs.

- The disputant that sets the motion shall be the first to present their stance. The bloc to which the disputant belongs will have to present their stances. Following this, the opposing group will present their stances.

6. Motion to Present Stances (Opposing Bloc):

After the first bloc presents their stances, the opposing team makes a motion to present their arguments. This ensures that both sides have an equal opportunity to present their perspectives.

7. Motion for Rebuttals:

Following the presentations from both sides, this motion is proposed to allow for rebuttals. Participants can challenge the arguments presented by the opposing team and provide counterarguments to strengthen their position.

8. Motion for Meeting:

Similar to the point previously stated, this motion calls for another meeting for each bloc to prepare their final stance taking into consideration the rebuttals from the opposing bloc, before voting for the presenters of each bloc.

- The final presenter is voted on by the same bloc through informal voting. If the bloc can't come to an agreement the voting will be handled by the present judge through a formal voting.

9. Motion for Presentation:

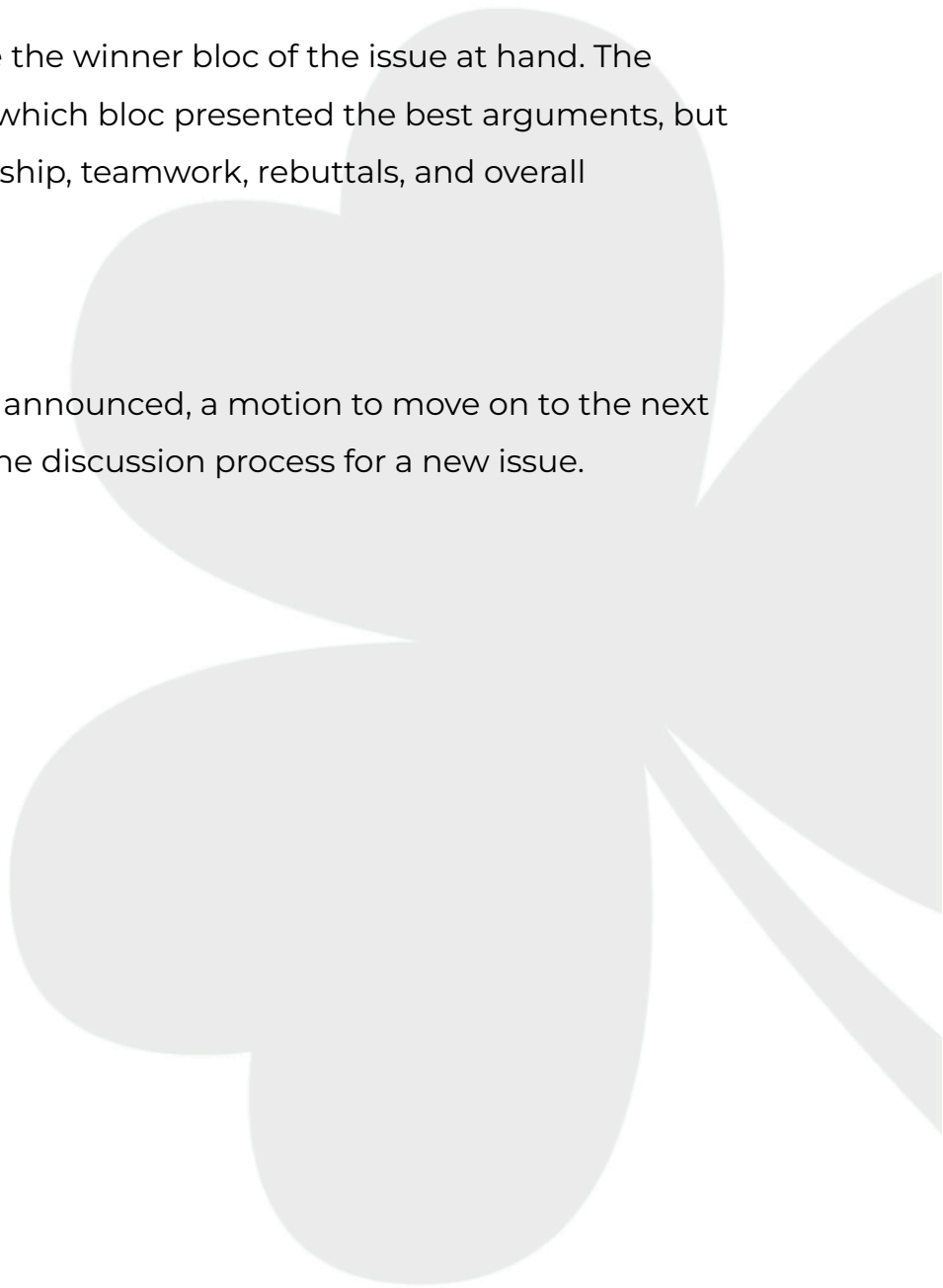
The selected presenters from each bloc will present the bloc's final stance to the judges, who will evaluate the arguments and performances of the participants.

10. Judges Decision:

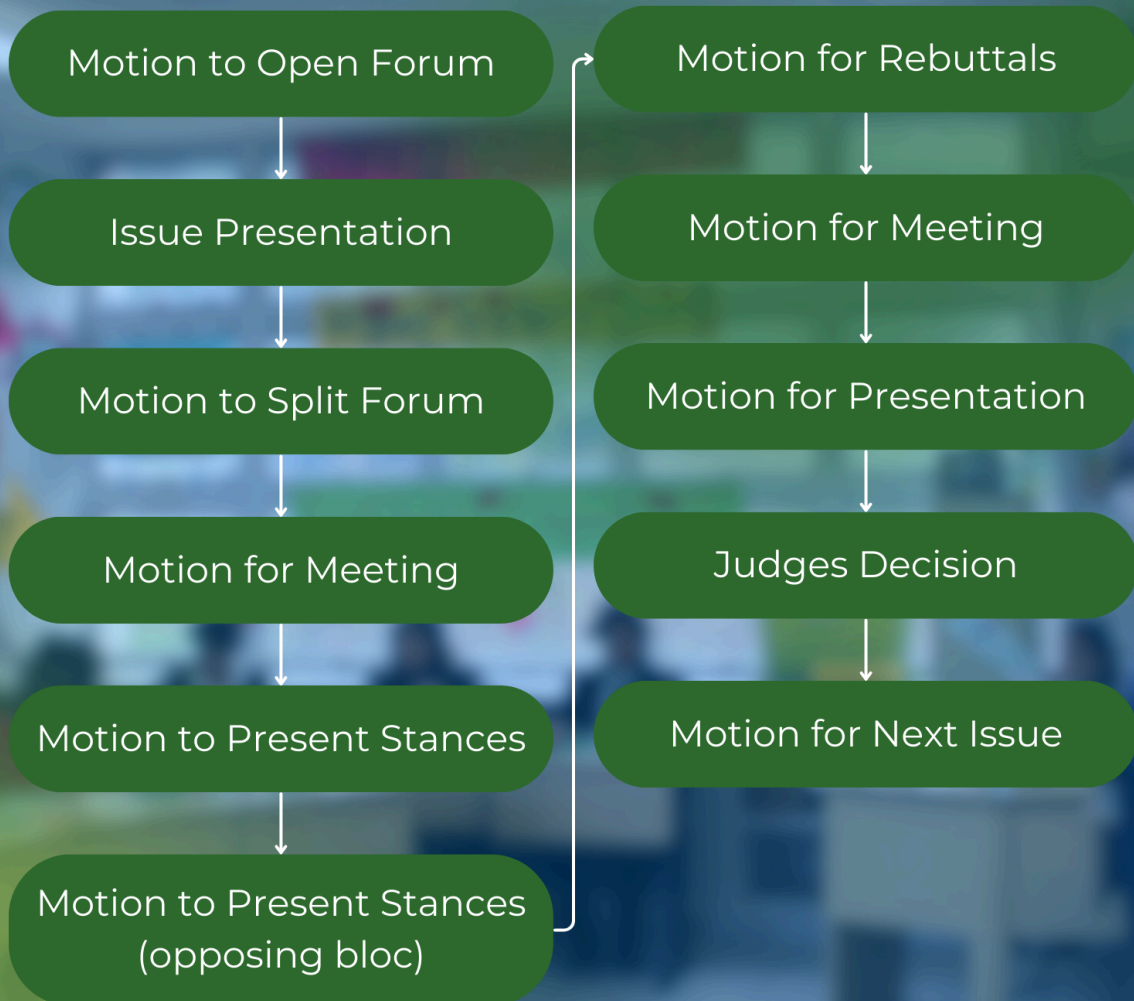
The judges will then choose the winner bloc of the issue at hand. The judges will not only decide which bloc presented the best arguments, but will also consider the leadership, teamwork, rebuttals, and overall performance of the blocs.

11. Motion for Next Issue:

After the judge's decision is announced, a motion to move on to the next issue for debate, initiating the discussion process for a new issue.



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III. Points and Motions

Motions	Use	Interrupt	Decided by
Motion	Establish Actions	No	Majority Vote
Motion to Split Forum	Divide the forum into blocs	No	Majority Vote
Motion for Meeting	Hold a private meeting between each bloc	No	Majority Vote
Motion to Present Stances	Present stances	No	Majority Vote
Motion for Rebuttals	Open a debate to counter the opposing arguments (Moderate Debate)	No	Majority Vote
Motion for Presentation	Used for the presenters to present the final bloc stance	No	Majority Vote
Motion to Adjourn the Forum	Hold the debate for a break or until the next day	No	Majority Vote
Point of Order	Violation of procedure	Yes	Judges
Point of Personal Privilege	Used to express personal needs or concerns like the ability to hear a speaker	Yes	Judges

IMPORTANT: All motions can be overruled by the judges

IV. Important Information

- A stance has to contain at least two arguments.
- The final bloc stance has to contain at least 5 arguments.
- Disputants are only allowed to use their electronic devices during meetings.

