

# Guide for writing a Draft Resolution

## PREAMBULATORY CLAUSES

The opening of preambulatory clauses should be *italicised and underlined*.

No preambulatory clause opening should be repeated in its exact form.

Preambulatory clauses must end in comma (,) or semicolon (;).

All acronyms must be listed in full before appearing in abbreviated form.

There must be a line space between clauses.

### Examples:

*Recognising* the lack of regulation has led to cases of unlawful behaviour by PMCs in the past,

*Believing* that regulation within an international framework of PMCs is necessary, however, should not be heavily restrictive,

*Supporting* the safe and beneficial use of PMCs, following a policy of security without conflict

## OPERATIVE CLAUSES

The opening of operative clauses should be underlined.

No operative clause opening should be repeated in its exact form.

Operative clauses must end in comma (,) or semicolon (;). A colon (:) can be used when referencing sub-clauses or sub-sub-clauses.

Operative sub-clauses and sub-sub-clauses must end in comma (,), semicolon (;), or have no punctuation at all at the end. A colon (:) can be used when referencing sub-sub-clauses.

A period (.) only appears at the end of the last operative clause.

Operative numbers should align with the first letter of the preambulatory clause.

Following lines of operative clauses must align with the first word of the first line.

Sub-clauses should be marked with a lowercase letter followed by a period or bracket.

Sub-sub-clauses should be marked with a lowercase roman numeral followed by a period.

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There must be a line space between clauses.

Last clause ends with a period (.).

**Example:**

- 1) Calls for an armistice and the total withdrawal of involved armed forces from Manchuria to a mutually recognised distance from frontlines that poses minimal threat,
  - a. Prepare a response coalition composed of states without overseas colonial territories critical to the region, to be used to ensure the armistice is preserved;
    - i. The member states of this response coalition is to be rotated every two and a half years;
    - ii. Allows for the matter of membership to be brought to the League in the event of a rapid shift in government
  - b. This response coalition is only to be deployed with the unanimous consent of the Council of the League, and ONLY if the armistice in Manchuria is put under threat,

## Preambulatory Clause Starters

Affirming	Disturbed	Having considered further	Reaffirming
Alarmed by	Desiring	Having devoted attention	Realising
Approving	Emphasising	Having examined	Recalling
Aware of	Expecting	Having heard	Recognising
Bearing in mind	Expressing its appreciation	Having received	Referring
Believing	Expressing its satisfaction	Having studied	Regretting
Confident	Fulfilling	Keeping in mind	Seeking
Considering	Fully alarmed	Noting with regret	Taking into account
Concerned	Fully aware	Noting with deep concern	Taking into consideration
Conscious	Fully believing	Noting with satisfaction	Taking note
Convinced	Guided by	Noting further	Viewing with appreciation
Declaring	Having adopted	Noting with approval	Welcoming
Deploing	Having considered	Observing	

## Operative clause starters

Accepts	Confirms	Endorses	Requests
Affirms	Congratulates	Expresses its appreciation	Resolves
Approves	Considers	Expresses its hope	Sanctions*
Asks	Decides*	Hopes	Solemnly affirms
Asks for	Declares accordingly*	Invites	Supports
Asks that	Demands*	Notes	Suggests
Authorises	Deplores	Proclaims*	Takes note of
Calls	Designates	Reaffirms	Transmits
Calls for	Draws the attention	Recommends	Trusts
Calls upon	Emphasises	Regrets	Urges
Condemns*	Encourages	Reminds	Wishes

### Notes

*All clause starters that have been marked with an asterisk (\*) can only be used by the Security Council.*