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BACKGROUND GUIDE

LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Dear Delegates,

Welcome to the WHO Crisis Committee at the Wissendurst Model United Nations 2025! We are thrilled to meet and collaborate with each and every one of you. This year, the agenda focuses on a fictional Zombie Apocalypse meant to stimulate a real world crisis situation to test whether you can perform under pressure and rise up to the occasion or succumb to the horrors of a zombie virus.

As members of the Executive Board, we want to emphasize that the background guide is only the starting point for your research. We strongly encourage you to go beyond its content and explore the topic further. Your creative and untested ideas could be invaluable in addressing this crisis.

We look forward to providing you with an enriching and exciting experience, filled with both knowledge and fun.

Sincerely,

The Executive Board

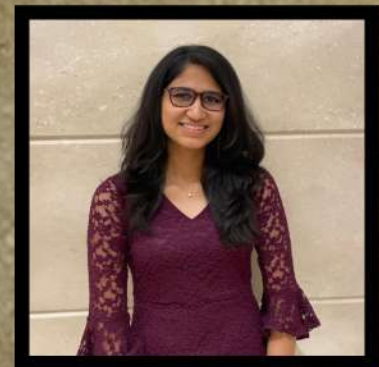
MEET THE EXECUTIVE BOARD



PRISHA V
CHAIRPERSON

A go getter, a fast talker and a walking piece of dynamite, Prisha is the definition of good things come in small packages (quite literally). With a highly commendable set of MUN achievements under her belt and a glare that can silence entire committees, she really is the most qualified person at every MUN she waltzes into. She expects nothing short of perfection and hopes the delegates seize any opportunities that come their way to make committee an enjoyable experience.

A professional bed-rotter with an immense love for reading and consuming any form of media available on planet earth, Husna is extremely humble about her MUN achievements and a one of a kind chairperson with an exclusive interest in crisis and security council committees. She hopes to see the delegates put their best foot forward and make bold political moves that spice things up.



HUSNA QADEER
CHAIRPERSON



GOWRISHANKAR K N
VICE CHAIRPERSON

An avid consumer of zombie apocalypse media, Gowrishankar has been waiting for this one for quite a long time. He's been in the MUN circuit since middle school and yet somehow he's managed to not get tired of it. This will be his first time on the Executive Board and he's ready to be wowed by all the delegates. He hopes the committee keeps the tempo high and wants to see every delegate take part in the discussion.

THE WHO CRISIS COMMITTEE

The World Health Organisation Crisis Committee focuses on addressing global health emergencies and challenges such as pandemics, disease outbreaks, and other health-related crises.

Delegates in this committee represent countries, NGOs, and international organisations, working together to develop swift and effective responses to global health emergencies.

The committee emphasises collaboration, diplomacy, and innovative solutions to manage the crisis at hand, often requiring real-time decision-making and flexibility as the situation evolves. The aim is to experience the dynamic nature of global health governance and the critical role of WHO in safeguarding public health.

Due to the limitations of a WHO committee, delegates may only make decisions that tackle a health emergency and cannot make any military decisions. In committee, the crisis refers to the global health emergency and NOT any military crisis that necessitate the need for actions only permissible in the United Nations Security Council.

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE AGENDA

ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE- THE FINAL RESOLUTION

The world faces an unprecedented biological threat.

What began as an obscure outbreak in a remote area has evolved into the global ZN-25 crisis: a virulent pathogen that hijacks human neurological function and turns victims into aggressive, non-communicative carriers — colloquially referred to as “zombies.” The biological horror is only half the story. Misinformation, disinformation, and geopolitical blame-games have weaponized the crisis, leading to an international breakdown of trust, military escalations, and border fortifications.

This committee must address:

- Containment and eradication of the virus**
- Research collaboration and access to possible treatments**
- Stability of nation-states**
- Misinformation and cyber warfare**
- The ethical, legal, and humanitarian implications of forced quarantines and military interventions**
- The rights of the infected humans who are now incurable zombies**

TIMELINE

March 15th 2025 :

Patient Zero was reported in Xinshi Village, Guangxi Province, China. He was confirmed to be of American origin and had recent travel history to the USA and to Mexico to visit his family over the summer. The case was initially misclassified as “neurological rabies” and patient was placed in isolation.

April 2nd 2025:

Leaked hospital footage goes viral- patient appears to be aggressive, hostile and bites the healthcare personnel restraining him. Two days later, the bitten people also began exhibiting symptoms and all infected patients were contained. The area was placed under full quarantine as reported by the Chinese government.

April 20th 2025:

Cases in South Africa start to occur and global concern spreads when the first few cases are reported in France inciting the spread of bioweapon theories. The Chinese government confirmed the first death related to the infection and the name ZN-25 is coined.

April 29th 2025:

US confirms its first few internal cases. President Trump believes the threat to be minimal and does not adhere to WHO pandemic recommendations.

May 10th 2025:

WHO declared a PHEIC. Flight and travel restrictions are put into place and borders are restricted.

May 18th 2025:

Canada closes its borders with the USA which results in major tensions further fractures the US-Canada relations. Russia and China militarize borders and NATO-Russia tensions rise.

May 25th 2025:

USA, Israel and India begin testing military strategies to contain the zombie outbreaks resulting in condemnation from the international forum and human rights groups.



June 10th 2025:

The global number of suspected active cases rises to 900,000 with 300,000 deaths with Africa, South America and South Asian countries bearing the brunt of the pandemic.

Cyberattacks disable WHO databases and disinformation campaigns surge resulting in increased reports of violence and states of emergency in various cities across the globe.

June 15th 2025:

WHO crisis committee is convened to discuss a plan of action to manage the emergency. USA agrees to participate as an observer with limitations due to the former decision made earlier this year to withdraw from the WHO.

WHAT WE EXPECT FROM THE COMMITTEE

First and foremost we expect delegates to be extremely thorough with the timeline and to use it as an outline to research the various components involved in managing a health related crisis.

You are expected to be thorough in the foreign policy of your country with regards to the present world. Global pandemics not only cause a burden on health systems but also affect trade and military operations. All new updates made during committee will be based on the current geopolitical situation and will lean more towards your ability to collaborate with other delegates on various matters of international importance rather than solely handle a pandemic. We take foreign policy violations very seriously so be sure to refrain from making any.

You are expected to know the inner workings of your countries health systems and current financial status. Please use the foreign policy statement that you will submit as a means to provide us information about the situation in your country. Statistics and facts about the zombie outbreak as well as strategies planned/implemented and budget allocated etc will help us understand the state your country is in and the direction in which you can move forward during committee.

You must be active in committee and parlay and collaborate with other allies into implementing solutions on a global level that benefit the world but more importantly benefit your country.

COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

9:00 AM	ROLL CALL
9:00-11:00 AM	SESSION 1
11:00-11:15 AM	TEA BREAK
11:15 AM-1:00 PM	SESSION 2
1:00-1:30 PM	LUNCH BREAK
1:30-6:00 PM	SESSION 3

GENERAL RULES:

- **Dress code-** Formal wear for boys and kurti/formals for girls.
- **Participants** are requested to report at the registration desk at 8:45 AM. Committee will begin sharp at 9:00 AM.
- **Decorum** to be strictly maintained during formal session- cross talk and use of the internet is strictly prohibited.
- **If any participants** needs permission to leave committee for a specified amount of time (due to clash with other events), the event organisers must be informed beforehand and necessary arrangements must be in place.
- **All delegates** must submit their Foreign Policy Statement by 11:59 PM on June 11th. Failure to submit on time will result in no marks being awarded for the FPS.

