# **BELLARMUN 2024 PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHEET**

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## Introduction -----

Pre-conference preparation is crucial to a successful Model UN experience because it fosters educated debate and helps delegates understand the specifics of their position and topic. This worksheet is designed to prepare delegates for success at BELLARMUN 2024—which is why **delegates are highly encouraged to submit the completed worksheet (with the answers written in a separate document or on a printed version of this document)** to <u>committees@bellarmun.org</u> by 11:59 PM on May 11th, 2024.

The contents of this worksheet are as follows:

- 1. Background Guide note taking template
- 2. Useful outside sources (optional)

Delegates are also implored to explore the resources page on the BELLARMUN website for introductions to Rules of Procedure (ROP), resolution writing, and more! Click on this link to access the page:

https://bellarmun.com/resources

## Background Guide Note Taking Template -----

#### TOPICA--

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Takeaways from Topic Introduction (3)
   1.
   2.
   3.
Takeaways from Topic History (5)
   1.
   2.
   3.
   4.
   5.
Specific Documents/Resolutions from Past Action and How They Failed/Succeeded (2)
   1.
   2.
Takeaways from Current Situation (5)
   1.
   2.
   3.
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**Bloc Positions** 

4. 5.

#### WHAT BLOC ARE YOU IN -WHAT ARE THREE OTHER COUNTRIES IN YOUR BLOC -

1.

2.

3.

Case Study One COUNTRY NAME -**ISSUE** -ATTEMPTS TO RESOLVE ISSUE -HOW DID THE ATTEMPTS FAIL/SUCCEED -

Case Study Two COUNTRY NAME -**ISSUE** -ATTEMPTS TO RESOLVE ISSUE -HOW DID THE ATTEMPTS FAIL/SUCCEED -

**Guiding Questions** 

Answering guiding questions is essential for understanding your position. Write down your answers to the questions here:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4. 5.
- 6.

### **TOPIC B - -**

Takeaways from Topic Introduction (3)

- 1.
- 2.

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Takeaways from Topic History (5)

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- 4.
- 5.

Specific Documents/Resolutions from Past Action and How They Failed/Succeeded (2)

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Takeaways from Current Situation (5)

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## Useful Outside Resources (OPTIONAL) ------

Note: this is a list of sources you may find useful if you choose to do additional research!

**The United Nations Website:** useful for information on the committee itself, as well as past action it has taken (<u>https://www.un.org/</u>)

**The BBC News Website:** useful for specific stories related to the topic that one might reference in debate (<u>https://www.bbc.com/</u>)

**Your Government Website:** every position will have a unique government website, but this is useful to determine your specific stance on the topic at hand and ongoing projects and policies related to the topic

**The Further Research Section in your Background Guide:** a collection of sources that your dais recommends using as outside resources

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