

Resolutions

Working Paper

An informal document used by a bloc to organize its ideas, concerns, and proposed solutions.

Draft Resolution

A formal document containing the solutions proposed by delegates and submitted for committee consideration.

Clauses

Preambulatory Clauses

This explains **why** action is needed.

They may include:

- Background and context
- Existing UN actions or agreements
- Previous efforts
- Key concerns

They **do not propose solutions**.

Operative Clauses

This explains **what will be done** to address the issue.

A strong operative clause should clearly state:

- **What** action will be taken
- **Who** will implement it
- **How** it will be implemented
- **How** it can be monitored or funded, when relevant

Operative clauses are usually numbered and begin with an **operative phrase** such as *Encourages, Recommends, Calls Upon, or Urges*.

Amendments

An amendment is a proposed change to a Draft Resolution.

Types

- **Add:** Introduces new text or a clause.
- **Delete:** Removes existing text or a clause.
- **Modify:** Changes existing wording.

Purpose

Amendments can:

- Improve clarity
- Correct errors
- Strengthen solutions
- Address concerns raised by delegates
- Build wider support

Amendments are subject to the committee's rules and voting procedure.

Resolution Process

Ideas → Working Paper → Draft Resolution → Amendments → Voting