**Rules of Procedures (UNHRC)**

**Start of Committee:**

● Dias (Chairs) begins with roll call

● Delegates may respond “present” or “present and voting”

● Next, the Dias asks to hear any points or motions

● If there are no points or motions on the floor, the Dias will recognize the next speaker on the

Speakers’ List from the previous session

● In the first committee session, a delegate must move to open the Speakers’ List

● During the first committee session, the agenda must also be set (choose topic 1 or 2)

Speakers’ List:

● The Speakers’ List is the default format of committee, if there are no points or motions

● A country may only appear on the list once at any given time

● A delegate can be added by raising their placard when the Dias asks or by sending a note to the

Dias

● The speaking time will be set by the delegate who moves to open the Speakers’ List, but a

delegate may move to change the speaking time

● If the Speakers’ List is exhausted and no other delegates wish to be added, committee moves

immediately into voting procedure on any draft resolutions that have been introduced

● If there is still time remaining when a delegate concludes his or her speech, he or she must yield

his or her time (to the Dias, to another delegate, or to questions, by saying either “I yield my time

to …”)

● Yielding to Dias ends the speech, yielding to another delegate allocates the remainder of the time

to that delegate (the second delegate may not yield to a third delegate), and yielding to questions

allows for feedback from other delegates

Moderated Caucus:

● When the Speakers’ List is open, a delegate may introduce a motion for a moderated caucus,

which is a less formal debate format to debate a specific subset of the topic

● No set speaking order; each new speaker is chosen after the previous speaker concludes

● A delegate may not yield her or his time; if delegate finishes early, move to next speaker

● Must have a set topic, duration, and speaking time (which will be voted on)

Unmoderated Caucus:

● When the Speakers’ List is open, a delegate may introduce a motion for an unmoderated caucus

the least formal debate format

● Delegates may move around the room and speak freely to one another to draft resolutions

● Delegate may not leave the room without permission from the committee director