

Letter from the Executive Board:

Respected delegates,

The Executive board welcomes you to UNHRC simulated at Fairgaze MUN.

We are glad to address you all as responsible global citizens of tomorrow.

Fairgaze is giving all of us a great chance to simulate this Committee and we're obliged to serve as the Executive Board for this Committee.

This Committee has been mandated to Human rights, it's violation and protection, which are in the interest of the globe at large. Considering the nature of the conference, we all aspire to deliberate, learn and grow. The sole purpose of the delegates of the committee should preferably be to take something like knowledge, intellect and holistic skills back home after being a part of this conference.

The Committee would have delegates from all levels of experience, so the Executive Board would make sure that everything that is deliberated in the Committee is well understood by the delegates who shall be a part of the Committee. At the outset, we would like to request the delegates to be well versed with the UNA USA Rules of Procedure and the agenda at hand. However, the same shall be explained in details before the commencement of the formal session of the conference.

Research, passion to speak and social skills would definitely help delegates to make a mark in this conference and we are absolutely elated to learn that our prospective delegates do not lack any of these skills. We hope that you all represent your member states in the best possible way as you can and we assure you all that the Executive Board would always be there to address your queries professionally in the Committee as mandated to us.

About the Committee:

The Human Rights Council is an inter-governmental body within the United Nations system made up of 47 States responsible for the promotion and protection of all human rights around the globe. It has the ability to discuss all thematic human rights issues and situations that require its attention throughout the year. It meets at the UN Office at Geneva.

Agenda:

"Deliberating Upon The Humanitarian Condition of the Uyghur Muslims."

-Who are Uyghur Muslims?

- Uyghurs are a Turkic ethnic group originating from and culturally affiliated with the general region of Central and East Asia.

- Uyghur Muslims are significantly present in countries such as China, Kazakhstan, Turkey, etc.

-What is a humanitarian crisis?

A humanitarian crisis or emergency is an event or series of events that represents a critical threat to the health, safety, security or wellbeing of a community or other large group of people, usually over a wide area.

-Situation of Uyghur Muslims in China:

- China has been accused of committing crimes against humanity and possibly genocide against the Uyghur population and other mostly-Muslim ethnic groups in the north-western region of Xinjiang.

- Human rights groups believe China has detained more than one million Uyghurs against their will over the past few years in a large network of what the state calls "re-education camps", and sentenced hundreds of thousands to prison terms.

- A series of police files obtained by the BBC in 2022 has revealed details of China's use of these camps and described the routine use of armed officers and the existence of a shoot-to-kill policy for those trying to escape.

- The US is among several countries to have previously accused China of committing genocide in Xinjiang. The leading human rights groups Amnesty and Human Rights Watch have published reports accusing China of crimes against humanity.

- China has also been accused of targeting Muslim religious figures and banning religious practices in the region, as well as destroying mosques and tombs.

- China denies all allegations of human rights abuses in Xinjiang. The Chinese government speaking after details of the Xinjiang Police Files were published - said the peace and prosperity brought to Xinjiang as a result of its anti-terrorism measures were the best response to "all sorts of lies".

-Questions to think upon while researching:

- 1.What are the causes of human rights violation of Uyghur Muslims?

- 2.What are the impacts/repercussions of such violations?

- 3.What has been done by the international community so far in accordance to the international law?

- 4.How can the international community as a whole solve this issue and protect the community?

Links for further research and reference:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/documents/country-reports/ohchr-assessment-human-rights-concerns-xinjiang-uyghur-autonomous-region>

<https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/08/1125932>

<https://www.cfr.org/backgroundunder/china-xinjiang-uyghurs-muslims-repression-genocide-human-rights>

[https://www.reuters.com/world/china/un-body-rejects-historic-debate-chinas-human-rights-record-2022-10-06/#:~:text=GENEVA%2C%20Oct%206%20\(Reuters\),seeks%20to%20avoid%20further%20scrutiny.](https://www.reuters.com/world/china/un-body-rejects-historic-debate-chinas-human-rights-record-2022-10-06/#:~:text=GENEVA%2C%20Oct%206%20(Reuters),seeks%20to%20avoid%20further%20scrutiny.)

Note: The Study guide is just to provide an overall idea about the committee and agenda to the delegates, participants are encouraged to extend their research beyond this guide.