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Favorite Quote: “War does not determine who is right, only who is left.” – Bertrand Russell

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In our current day and age, we find ourselves in the middle of overlapping crises; physical, political, and economic wars all rage around us, with few willing or able to stop them. AMMUN XXII was my first MUN experience; it gave me the chance to speak my mind and develop my public speaking skills further. Throughout the conference, I debated with people far more experienced than me, defended my resolutions, and felt that I made my mark at the conference. It was through AMMUN that I discovered my passion for MUN, which has led me to where I am today.

It is an incredible honour and privilege to be serving as the president of the Security Council for this year’s AMMUN XXV conference. The Security Council holds a unique position in the UN, as it is one of only two committees with ad hoc debate and the only committee in the UN with an actual impact on international law. Resolutions that pass in the UN are legally binding, and member nations are forced to comply. Therefore, I call on delegates to debate mindfully under this year’s theme, “Moderating Morality”, which heavily relates to the context of our modern world, as well as the SC and its ability to make a real impact in the world.

MUN is all about understanding perspectives, discovering new topics, and collaborating with strangers to defend a common belief. Resolutions pass and fail depending on how well a group justifies itself and how it ensures it is useful for others. So, it is critical that every member of the group steps up and does their part. MUN at its core is about collaboration and developing the ability to defend yourself against an opposing argument.

Overall, I hope this year’s AMMUN conference is a transformative experience, one where you learn and discover yourselves on a deeper level, as well as one that you will remember, as well as I recall my first.

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