
ARAB LEAGUE CRISIS COMMITTEE

Combatting Terrorism and Threats to Regional Stability

This year, CRISIS will be tackling the topic of combatting terrorism and threats to regional stability in the Middle East. Terrorism in this region revolves around two major roots: the conflict between Palestine and Israel, and conflicts in the interpretation of Islam. These two conflicts are considered the foundation that resulted in the many terrorist groups in the Middle East. However, terrorism is only a cog in the complex web of political relationships and power struggles that have disrupted stability in the region. Civil wars, corruption, and personal agendas in different countries have allowed many terrorist organizations such as the Islamic State to gain footholds towards advancing their extremist ideals. CRISIS committee will focus on the creation of effective, feasible, and innovative solutions that will be tested against realistic and challenging circumstances. Delegates' abilities to implement viable solutions to combat terrorism will simulate steps the Middle East can take in securing regional stability.

The topic of terrorism is becoming more and more present in our lives. Whether it's terrorism in the United States, Europe, or the Middle East, combatting extremist activities seems to become increasingly crucial, considering how it has affected the lives of many. One of the reasons that I chose this topic is because, despite the general understanding and awareness of a few keywords of terrorism, most people do not truly have an adequate comprehension of the issue. I am hoping through CRISIS committee this year, delegates will gain a more profound and accurate perspective on what is actually a complex topic that has roots all the way back to the early 20th century. Through debate, I believe delegates will become integrated in an environment where they can delve into the political relationships, religious tension, corruption, and various terrorist organizations that contribute to the instability throughout the Middle East region. Delegates will learn the numerous factors that need to be considered when navigating through fighting against terrorist organizations, and I hope the delegates can take their experience in committee and apply it when forming their political opinions.

Getting Started

For research, a good place to start would be to gain a basic understanding of your assigned country first. Understand the political system, the major political parties/powers, and the general makeup of the country's population. Try to find information that can help you understand what supports the country economically as well as the quality of life. From there, I would try to look for major events, whether its war, blockades, or terrorists attacks that the country has been involved in. Make sure to keep in mind what other organizations and countries are involved in your country's affairs, as this will be important as you try to collaborate with other countries in committee.

