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School

His Excellency
Ban Ki-moon
Secretary General
UNO

Your Excellency,

Our Own Indian School, Dubai, is truly privileged and sincerely grateful to you for your special message to inspire and stimulate the young world citizens who secretly cherish dreams of becoming future world leaders.

Your message, Your Excellency, was a part of the power point presentation during the session and copies of your message formed a component of the folders handed out to each 'delegate' at the venue. Your message was an integral element of the UNSC 2008 and it reached out to all those who attended the Conference. Your message, Your Excellency, will serve to enlighten the young minds and furnish their thoughts to greater moral responsibility towards the world.

The UNSC was inaugurated by His Excellency Dileep Nair, Consul General of the Consulate General of Singapore in the U.A.E.

The Ambassadors of Egypt, Jordan, Pakistan and Switzerland along with the Consul General of the Consulate of Malaysia in the U.A.E. took time out to pen a few lines of encouragement to the young world citizens who were further delighted to receive personal notes from Dr. Shashi Tharoor, ex Under Secretary of the UNO and Mr. Shiraz Gidwani, the Deputy Secretary General of the UNSM.

Kindly accept this note as a token of our appreciation and gratitude, Your Excellency, and we look forward to your continued association with the young people of the world.

Enclosed please find a copy of the News Letter and a brief report of the United Nations Simulation Conference -2008.

Regards,


Aziz Akhtar
Principal

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It is with pleasure that I invite your attention towards a major event that is hosted by the Our Own Indian School, Dubai. In keeping with the United Nations Day on the 24th of October each year, the School Council of Our Own Indian School, Dubai, hosts the United Nations Simulation Conference around the same time.

The first United Nations Simulation Conference conceived by the School Council of Our Own Indian School, Dubai, was held on November 4th, 2006.

Main highlights of UNSC 2006

- The Conference was inaugurated by His Excellency, Y.K. Sinha, the then Consul General of India.
- The Head of the Private Education Department of Dubai Educational Zone presided over the concluding function and gave away the prizes.
- Students from schools from all over the U.A.E. were invited as observers.

Main highlights of UNSC 2007

- UNSC 2007 was inaugurated by Ms. Nadia Evans, a representative of the United Nations Organisation in the U.A.E.
- 19 schools from all over the U.A.E. were represented by their students who competed as 'delegates' of countries from all over the world.
- The School Council was delighted to receive a message from the Secretary General of the UNO, H.E. Ban Ki-moon who addressed his message to the young world citizens.
- Consuls from the Consulate General of India and Iran graced the event with their presence
- The School Council was honoured with messages from the Ambassadors of Egypt, Pakistan and India
- An audio-visual presentation was sent by the office of Shiraz Gidwani, the then Ambassador-General of the United Nation Simulation Mission, Youth Development Programme
- The topics discussed in the 'General Assembly' were :
 - Torture and Other Cruel Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment
 - The UN Global Counter Terrorism Strategy
 - Unilateral Economic Measures as a Means of Political and Economic Coercion against Developing Countries

The topics discussed in the 'Security Council' were :

- Relocation of the United Nations Headquarters
 - Complete Nuclear Disarmament
 - Creation of a Permanent Chain of Command/Command Hierarchy for the Peacekeeping Forces
- The Head of the Private Education Department of Dubai Educational Zone presided over the concluding function and gave away the prizes.

Highlights of UNSC 2008

- The preparation for the UNSC started in April 2008
- This year we invited schools from other GCC countries also
- International Indian School from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and MES Doha, Qatar, participated in the event this year
- Two training sessions were organized for the schools to update them about the UNSC
- The School Council was once again delighted to receive a message from the Secretary General of the UNO
- The Ambassadors of Jordan, Egypt, Russia and Switzerland sent their messages.
- The Consuls of Pakistan, China, Iran, Indonesia and India attended the session
- The Consul General, His Excellency Dileep Nair of the Consulate General of Singapore was the Chief Guest.
- Topics for the event were :
 - **‘General Assembly’** - Steep rise in price of crude oil (inflation)
 - **‘Security Council’** - Need for regional peace keeping operations

The session commenced at 9:00 am with the declaration of the session open by the His Excellency, Dileep Nair, Consul General of the Consulate General of Singapore.

The UNSC serves to provide a platform for the young world citizens to voice their opinions and debate on existing global issues and gain valuable experience in global diplomacy.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REPORT ON THE DRAFT RESOLUTION

Submitted by: Iraq

Topic : Steep rise in the price of crude oil (inflation)

*The draft resolution submitted by **Iraq** was selected for the topic in the agenda set in the General Assembly : **Steep rise in the price of crude oil.**

* After suitable amendments, the measures recommended by Iraq were agreed upon by all the member nations.

*The resolution drew the attention of the assembly to the stagnation in global oil production since 2005.

*Iraq suggested to actively follow the steps taken by the **BioFuels TP, OPEC, etc.** & researches to **find untapped fields** while calling upon fellow nations to provide **new subsidies to stabilize oil prices.**

*All nations agreed to **promote sustainable development, resolve conflicts & sign & ratify laws to prevent energy wastage.**

*The assembly welcomed steps to **resolve the long disputed oil law & major investments in alternatives** without requiring any major lifestyle changes in the heavy oil-consuming countries before a crisis.

*The **two amendments** submitted were also voted upon and duly passed by the assembly.

*The session ended with all nations agreeing to actively reduce the consumption of oil so as to **cut energy demand by 2016** as well as mutually co-operate with fellow nations to **resolve the price crisis & stabilize the fuel consumption.**

SECURITY COUNCIL

REPORT ON THE DRAFT RESOLUTION

Topic: **Need for Regional Peacekeeping Operations.**

Submitted By: Libya

- The selected draft **resolution** was that of **Libya** for the topic set in the agenda in the Security Council: **Need for Regional Peacekeeping Operations.**
- The draft resolution called upon the member countries of the UN to take **increasing responsibility for conflict prevention** and resolution on the continent.
- All the countries were asked to provide **better funding and cooperation** so as to **deploy** standing troops to regions of conflicts.
- The draft resolution drew the attention of the committee, requesting member states to help in the process of **confidence building** and decide on various Peace Support issues.
- After the addition of an **amendment**, which was proposed by China, the draft resolution was **voted** upon.
- The draft resolution **passed** with 12 votes in favor and 3 countries abstained from voting.

With the passing of the draft **resolution**, the committee came to a conclusion that all member states should **pay** heed to the major clauses mentioned in the draft resolution and they agreed **upon** the **formation of a sub-committee to monitor the proceedings and the involvement of the regional peace-keeping forces.**
