

How to write Resolutions and Amendments

You will write your references to former UN resolutions, ratified conventions, and/or declarations. You will provide official figures, the most recent ones possible, to illustrate the issue. You will congratulate countries and/or organizations (i.e. UN organizations, NGOs) which have worked on the issue. You will emphasize the difficulties that have been encountered in the past.

BACKGROUND (PREAMBULATORY) PHRASES

Acknowledging	Emphasizing	Noting further
Affirming	Expecting	Noting with appreciation
Alarmed by	Expressing its appreciation	Noting with approval
Approving	Expressing its satisfaction	Noting with deep concern
Aware of	Fulfilling	Noting with regret
Believing	Fully alarmed	Noting with satisfaction
Bearing in mind	Fully aware	Observing
Conscious	Fully believing	Pointing out
Confident	Further deploring	Reaffirming
Congratulating	Further recalling	Realizing
Convinced	Guided by	Recalling
Declaring	Having adopted	Recognizing
Deeply concerned	Having considered	Reminding
Deeply conscious	Having devoted attention	Seeking
Deeply disturbed	Having examined	Taking into account
Deeply regretting	Having received	Taking into consideration
Deploring	Having studied	Viewing with appreciation
Desiring	Keeping in mind	Welcoming

The Security Council,

Conscious of the situation in Cyprus, in which violence broke out in 1963, after the Republic of Cyprus became an independent state on 16 August 1960, (EXAMPLES)

Stressing the need for all actively involved with the UNFICYP peacekeeping mission to continue working vigorously to develop a strategic plan to help reduce tension and conflict in Cyprus,

How to write ACTION (Operative) clauses

You must ensure that your proposals are actually workable and that they fully reflect the existing policies of the country or agency that you represent.

ACTION (OPERATIVE) PHRASES

Accepts	Designates	Regrets
Affirms	Encourages	Requests
Approves	Endorses	Resolves
Asks	Expresses its satisfaction	Seeks
Authorizes	Expresses its hope	Strongly affirms
Calls for	Further recommends	Strongly urges
Calls upon	Hopes	Suggests
Congratulates	Invites	Supports
Confirms	Proclaims	Trusts
Declares accordingly	Proposes	Transmits
Deplores	Recommends	Urges

1. Supports the act of the Turkish and Greek government to continue meeting and discussing the issue at hand in the hopes of eventually developing a solution to the problem by building off of the progress that has already been made;

2. Calls upon slowly enlarging the buffer zone over a five-year time period until it spreads throughout the entire island;

8. Confirms being actively seized upon this matter. (EXAMPLES)

Sample Resolution

General Assembly Third Committee

Sponsors: United States, Austria and Italy Signatories: Greece, Tajikistan, Japan, Canada, Mali, the Netherlands and Gabon

Topic: "Strengthening UN coordination of humanitarian assistance in complex emergencies"

The General Assembly, Reminding all nations of the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the *Universal Declaration of Human Rights*, which recognizes the inherent dignity, equality and inalienable rights of all global citizens, **[use commas to separate preambulatory clauses]**

Reaffirming its Resolution 33/1996 of 25 July 1996, which encourages Governments to work with UN bodies aimed at improving the coordination and effectiveness of humanitarian assistance,

Noting with satisfaction the past efforts of various relevant UN bodies and nongovernmental organizations,

Stressing the fact that the United Nations faces significant financial obstacles and is in need of reform, particularly in the humanitarian realm,

1. Encourages all relevant agencies of the United Nations to collaborate more closely with countries at the grassroots level to enhance the carrying out of relief efforts; **[use semicolons to separate operative clauses]**
2. Urges member states to comply with the goals of the UN Department of Humanitarian Affairs to streamline efforts of humanitarian aid;
3. Requests that all nations develop rapid deployment forces to better enhance the coordination of relief efforts of humanitarian assistance in complex emergencies;
4. Calls for the development of a United Nations Trust Fund that encourages voluntary donations from the private transnational sector to aid in funding the implementation of rapid deployment forces;
5. Stresses the continuing need for impartial and objective information on the political, economic and social situations and events of all countries;
6. Calls upon states to respond quickly and generously to consolidated appeals for

humanitarian assistance; and

7. Requests the expansion of preventive actions and assurance of post-conflict assistance through reconstruction and development. **[end resolutions with a period]**