



PRE-AMBULATORY PARAGRAPHS AND OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS



PRE-AMBULATORY PARAGRAPHS

The preamble of a draft resolution states the reasons that the committee is addressing the topic and highlights past international action on the issue. Each paragraph begins with a present participle (called a pre-ambulatory phrase) and ends with a comma. Pre-ambulatory paragraphs can include:

- References to the UN Charter.
- Citations of past relevant UN resolutions or treaties.
- Mentions of statements made by the Secretary-General or a relevant UN body or agency.
- Recognition of the efforts of countries or regional or non-governmental organizations in dealing with this issue.
- General statements on the topic, its significance, and its impact.

Sample pre-ambulatory phrases are listed below.

Accepts	Demands	Recommends
Acknowledges	Deploras	Recalls
Adopts	Designates	Recognizes
Advises	Directs	Regrets
Affirms	Draws the attention Emphasizes	Reiterates
Also calls for	Encourages	Reminds
Also recommends	Endorses	Renews its appeal
Also strongly condemns	Expresses its appreciation	Repeats
Also urges	Expresses its hope	Requests
Appeals	Expresses its regret	Requires
Appreciates	Further invites	Solemnly affirms
Approves	Further proclaims	Stresses
Authorizes	Further recommends	Strongly advises
Calls	Further reminds	Strongly condemns
Calls for	Further requests	Strongly encourages
Calls upon	Further resolves	Suggests
Commends	Has resolved	Supports
Concurs	Instructs	Takes note of
Condemns	Introduces	Transmits
Confirms	Invites	Trusts
Congratulates	Notes	Underlines
Considers	Notes with satisfaction	Underscores
Decides	Proclaims	Urges
Declares	Reaffirms	Welcomes
Declares accordingly		

OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS

The operative paragraphs contain all the solutions that were agreed upon during the negotiation phase. They should be grouped into their four sub-topic headings. Each Paragraph should begin with a present participle (called an operative phrase) and ends with a semi-colon. The second to last operative paragraph will include an “and” after the semi-colon and the final paragraph will have a period at the end.

Some operative phrases are listed below

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