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# IPC

International Press Corps

**Covering global affairs with  
accuracy and insight**

## Letter from the Secretary General

*In the absence of concord, cataclysm is inevitable.*

When understanding falters, consequences escalate. At RKCMUN'26, let wisdom guide us before crisis defines us

Distinguished Delegates, welcome to RKCMUN'26, a conference not merely of speeches, but of substance; not merely of debate, but of direction. Over the next few days, these committees will transform into arenas of intellect, negotiation, and strategy. Ideas will collide, policies will be defended, and perspectives will be challenged. But above all, character will be revealed.

Our guiding philosophy this year is simple, yet profound: यत्र संवादः तत्र सौहार्दम् (Yatra Samvaadah Tatra Sauhaardam) Where there is dialogue, there is harmony.

The word Yatra reminds us that harmony is conditional. It does not appear by chance; it emerges where patience prevails over pride, where listening matches speaking, and where disagreement is handled with dignity. For these days, that “where” is RKCMUN'26. It is in these rooms, through your words and your restraint, that harmony will either falter or flourish.

Model United Nations is not about being the loudest voice in the room. It is about being the most prepared mind. It is about understanding that diplomacy is strength controlled, not power displayed. Debate passionately, but responsibly. Negotiate boldly, but ethically. Build alliances thoughtfully, not impulsively. The true measure of a delegate is not applause after a speech, but the impact left on a resolution.

As Secretary-General, my commitment is to uphold a conference defined by integrity, fairness, and intellectual rigor. I encourage you to enjoy the intensity, the strategy, the fast-paced negotiations but never forget the responsibility that comes with representing a nation. If discussions grow heated, let dialogue steady them. If opinions diverge sharply, let respect guide them. If conflict arises, let maturity resolve it.

Let RKCMUN'26 not simply be another entry on your résumé, but an experience that refines your confidence, sharpens your intellect, and strengthens your leadership. Speak with clarity. Listen with intent. Lead with integrity.

*The floor is yours.*

*With conviction and confidence,*

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## Letter from the Executive Board

Greetings to all readers and writers!

We welcome you to the 2nd edition of the Rajkumar College Model United Nations Conference 2026. On behalf of the Executive Board of the International Press Corps, I extend a heartiest and warm welcome to all delegates who have navigated their way through and into this Background Study Guide for further references and research.

As the International Press Corps (IPC), we must foster full media coverage of the entire event from a delegate's perspective, seeking and lurking out for the most interesting issues and controversies inside committees and covering them as stories, photographs, cartoons and caricatures, news reports or any other piece of additional content that is absolutely relevant and essential to boost your innate talent, competence and creativity.

As IPC, it is our aim to provide captivating, engaging and entertaining news coverage that keeps readers hooked and well-informed of the committee scenarios, igniting interest to debate on meaningful discussions. Refer to the Background Guide for further details and guidance.

Lastly, I would like to thank the my Deputy for his unwavering supportive dedication, efforts and commitment to shaping as well as structuring the functioning of the committee, planning, organising and learning to perfectly execute- everything from creating a friendly environment to keeping in mind the specificities of our marking scheme and pattern. He is, of course, Saumya Panjwani, our Deputy IP Head. Our objective is to facilitate and maintain a strong environment whilst ensuring proper a collaborative and harmonious committee, therefore in case of any queries or doubts regarding any matter, please do not hesitate to contact the Executive Board for further help.

We wish you all the very best in your preparations and look forward to meeting you!

Regards,

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## 1. Introduction to IPC:

The International Press Corps (IPC) serves as the official media body of the conference, entrusted with the responsibility of documenting, analyzing, and disseminating the proceedings of all committees. Acting as the bridge between diplomatic deliberations and public understanding, the IPC ensures that debates, negotiations, resolutions, and crises are reported with accuracy, neutrality, and professionalism.

Comprising representatives of prominent local and international media platforms, the IPC simulates the real-world press environment in which journalism plays a critical role in shaping public perception and promoting accountability. Through press releases, interviews, opinion pieces, investigative reports, and live coverage, IPC delegates contribute to a dynamic and transparent conference ecosystem.

Delegates assigned to the IPC are expected to uphold the highest standards of journalistic integrity, including factual accuracy, balanced reporting, and ethical conduct. In addition to covering committee proceedings, IPC members are encouraged to engage critically with evolving narratives, identify underlying political and strategic developments, and present well-structured analyses.

The IPC offers a professional platform for delegates to refine their writing, editorial judgment, communication skills, and media awareness while working in a fast-paced environment. Constructive feedback from the Executive Board is intended to enhance both technical proficiency and journalistic maturity, ensuring that the press corps operates as a disciplined, credible, and integral pillar of the conference.

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## 2. Committee mandate:

*Identification of the code of conduct and procedure issued in the Conference Policy, the IPC has some essential conditions that need to be followed by the delegates:*

- **Precision and Ethic Morality:** Although inventive analysis is permitted to associate with the positioning of your press agency, this must not misrepresent or overshadow a delegate demeanour.
- **Freedom in coverage:** An accountable journalist ought to be a good critique. He/she should review all the contributions and coalitions of all delegates within a committee.
- **Professionalism:** Being a delegate of both IPC and your press agency, you shall dignify the proficiency and civility of the Executive Board of the committee and treat all members equally.
- **Order and Regulation:** Collaboration and valuing opinions as well as accountability of their respective peers helps in ensuring comparative media coverage and analysis, relevancy of information, and resources that emphasises the overall conduct.

### 3. Abbreviations and definitions:

<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Full Form</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
IPC	International Press Corps	Official media body of the conference responsible for reporting and documenting committee proceedings.
RKCMUN	Rajkumar College Model United Nations	The MUN conference under which IPC operates.
UN	United Nations	International organization promoting peace, security, and cooperation among nations.
UNSC	United Nations Security Council	UN body responsible for maintaining international peace and security.
Op-Ed	Opinion Editorial	Opinion-based article expressing personal analysis on committee issues.
5 Ws	Who, What, Where, Why, When	Journalistic framework used to structure news reports.
EB	Executive board	—
BBC	British Broadcasting Corporation	—
CNN	Cable Network News	—
TOI	Times Of India	—
WSJ	Wall Street Journal	—
FT	Financial Times	—

## 4. Purpose of IPC:

The prominence of the committee is to enlighten the audience about an occurrence to capture a particular scenario. The IPC as a whole consists of reporters and journalists belonging to different news agencies across the globe, and is not an official committee in the United Nations. Therefore, the press is not accountable to any UN committee or a nation that is a part of the committee, and thus it cannot be censored or modified according to one's perspective.

A reporter's beliefs, political stance, agency policies, or perspective of their country are what is always associated with an event he or she covers, and due to this, the very same event can be different and be interpreted in quite different ways. Those who opt to join the committee will be directly entailed with journalism or media and should adhere to the principle of presenting the public with authentic information, keeping in account the committee's agenda and historical context while at the same time tailoring the content with respect to the guidelines that each editorial policy mandates and functions. The other delegates, participating in different committees, will be required to deal with the repercussions of their decisions being reported by the event media.

The IPC delegates can utilize various methods to make the experience of the conference meaningful, including interviewing the other delegates, taking photographs, and making use of social media. Each delegate will be allocated to one of the four other committees to report on the agenda and documentation process that may influence the conference. The reports can be created using text, photography, or video, and the respective journalists must discuss and convey the relevancy of the ideas with the IPC executive board. The journalist may be enquired for assistance to the chairs in simulating a false news scenario or a "crisis" to compensate for the delegate's debate and issues on the committee specific agenda.

## 5. Sample Reports:

The following sample report is also provided for your reference while preparing for the conference.

Committee **Session 2**

Portfolio- **BBC**

Committee- **UNSC**

### **“The Final Piece of the Puzzle DIE ZEIT”**

Ideas are flying fast and furious in the United Nations Security Council as it enters its third session, a stream of innovation that could not come any sooner as this small group of delegates works to conclude their first topic. Over the past couple of sessions, the UNSC has been embroiled in a discussion of the Armenian- Azerbaijan conflicts, a troubling remnant left over from the decades-old collapse of the Soviet Union. Though the UNSC’s discussion moves quickly, with almost every delegate participating when they can, it remains to be seen whether this committee will be able to complete their draft resolution paper in time to come to a successful conclusion. Fortunately, a successful conclusion seems more and more likely as these experienced delegates make their opinions and ideas known.

During a moderated caucus regarding the possibility of providing Armenia and Azerbaijan, the centrepieces of the current discussion, with positive incentives so that they call off the current conflict, Kuwait pointed out that providing such incentives is often “dicey,” due to the difficulty of satisfying both countries involved. The committee searched for another possible solution by discussing how best to calm long-held fears about peacekeepers. This caucus saw Russia proposing a time limit on how long peacekeepers stay in Azerbaijan, thus reassuring the country’s citizens that the peacekeepers would not be a permanent presence, and the delegate of the United Kingdom suggested the inclusion of peacekeepers as a facet of a treaty between the nations involved.

However, neither solution appeared to make a solid impact on the state of the discussion, leading to the Dais approving a second ten-minute unmoderated caucus for this session. The Dais expressed a desire for the committee to come to their final verdict during this time, and the delegates quickly dissolved into intense discussion. Their intensity and dedication bode well for the future of this committee. As their allotted time draws to a close, the UNSC’s delegates find themselves on the cusp of a

collaborative and impassioned solution to the issue of the Armenian-Azerbaijan conflict. Hopefully, this spirit of partnership and precision will continue to fuel a unique and united approach to their discussions as they near the end of the conference.



## 5. Types Of Pieces and Articles:

### **Opinion Editorials (Op-Eds):**

‘Opinion Editorials’ is sheerly an expressive and reflective report. Op-eds can be formulated as compilation of data given for various significant arguments. This requires verifying information and investigating many advantages about the given subject at hand. Editorials and Op-eds have to ensure high standards of writing and expression. Reporters ought to diligently consider the argument they are going to make and how to deliver it to interact with a wider audience because an opinionated piece is evaluated on the observations offered.

### **Interviews:**

Press interviews are one-on-one interactions between an IPC journalist and a delegate conducted for their representative publication or broadcast. The aim of an interview is to collect newsworthy and relevant information to write better articles. An IPC delegate can conduct interviews during Unmoderated Caucuses or Refreshment Breaks between sessions, only at the interviewee’s discretion and permission. The interviewee must not be obligated to be present for the interview as it is not a means of compulsion and the journalist should not be forceful. Interviews are generally recommended to be 4-5 minutes long. Interviews will be marked on the basis and quality of questions asked. The interview is suggested to be recorded in the form of an audio file.

### **Press Conference :**

Press Conferences provide journalists with a platform to represent their news agency’s political stance on certain issues related to the committee agenda and speeches given by delegates of the committee through relevant questions posed to scrutinise their recent actions and statements. On either the second or third day of the conference, with the approval of your committee’s Executive Board, the journalists will be permitted to question other delegates from your respective committees. The IPC delegations will be notified one session prior if a press conference is to be scheduled and thus, they will be required to send their appropriate questions to the Executive Board for a quality check and approval in advance.

## Cartoons and Comic Strips:

-Delegates can select and submit the part or parts of this subsection that best suit their needs. It is broken into three sections. A delegate is allowed to provide additional more than one entry from multiple categories. It is crucial to remember that these submissions are related to your daily article submissions, and there needs to be a clear connection between the two.



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## Photojournalism:

The International Press Corps encourages its representatives to develop and use their creative abilities. One extremely important component of reporting that delivers significant bits of information is photojournalism. Information through persuasive and eye-catching images. In RKCMMUN'26, we would integrate two fundamental forms of photojournalism: creating political memes and caricatures. These works of art must closely follow the guidelines of the International Press Corps and refrain from engaging in any very offensive conversation that might endanger the journalist's entire career. The delegate must attach its particular memes and caricatures with their committee session reports at the end.

## Additional Content:

The IPC delegations can also submit several creative and self-acclaimed pieces such as poems, jokes, gossip articles and blocs, satirical content, committee and event coverage as well as feature articles (committee/delegation profiles).

## 6. Role of Delegate:

It is necessary for the delegates to keep the following points in mind:

- 5 Ws (Who, What, Where, Why, When): News agencies ought to answer these five questions in their news articles but, the respective agency must keep in mind the relevancy each question holds in the specific article. Answering these questions allows the reader to understand the situation of the committee, providing a complete 360-degree visual of each committee, enhancing and engaging the reader's experience.
- The recommended length of these articles should be between 400 and 500 words.
- The press agency must adhere to the strict policies, thus, the articles should meet those regulations and be of the same bias and style as those of the agency's previous publications and reporting.
- Articles should be liberated from any grammatical errors at the end of each article and should not be misspelled, should also be paraphrased accurately.
- Articles should be scrutinized and examined ahead of submissions using Grammarly or any other alternatives.

## 7. Portfolio's Overview:

### **Reuters:**

Reuters is a globally respected international news agency headquartered in London, known for its speed, accuracy, and neutrality in reporting. Founded in 1851, it supplies news to media outlets, financial institutions, and governments worldwide. Reuters maintains a value-neutral editorial policy, emphasizing factual reporting without emotive language, particularly in conflict situations. Its coverage spans geopolitics, finance, markets, technology, and global affairs, making it a primary source for real-time, credible information across continents.

### **BBC News:**

BBC News is the news division of the British Broadcasting Corporation and one of the largest broadcast news organizations globally. Established in 1922 (with BBC News as a division later formalized), it operates through television, radio, and digital platforms with extensive international bureaus. The BBC is known for its public-service broadcasting model, aiming to deliver balanced and impartial journalism. While it has faced criticism regarding perceived biases, it remains one of the most trusted global news institutions.

### **Al Jazeera:**

Founded in 1996 in Doha, Qatar, Al Jazeera was the first major independent news network in the Arab world. Its guiding principle, "The Opinion and the Other Opinion," reflects its commitment to presenting diverse perspectives. Al Jazeera gained global prominence through its coverage of Middle Eastern conflicts and international crises. Today, it operates multiple language channels and is considered one of the most influential international news networks, often providing viewpoints distinct from Western media narratives.

### **Financial Times:**

The Financial Times (FT), founded in 1888 and headquartered in London, is a leading global newspaper focused on business, finance, and economic policy. Recognized for its salmon-colored print edition, the FT delivers in-depth analysis on international markets, trade, corporate developments, and geopolitics. Its readership primarily includes policymakers, executives, and financial professionals, and it is regarded for its analytical depth and authoritative economic commentary.

## **Bloomberg:**

Bloomberg, founded in 1981 by Michael Bloomberg, is a global financial news and data company headquartered in New York. Known for its Bloomberg Terminal, it provides real-time financial data, analytics, and business news to professionals worldwide. Bloomberg News covers markets, corporate affairs, economics, and global politics with a strong emphasis on data-driven reporting. It is widely regarded as a premier source of financial intelligence and market analysis.

## **The Economist:**

Established in 1843, The Economist is a globally influential weekly publication known for its analytical approach to economics, politics, science, and international affairs. Published in magazine format, it maintains a distinctive editorial voice and promotes free-market principles and liberal economic policies. Through its Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU), it also provides country analysis and forecasting, serving policymakers and corporate leaders worldwide.

## **The Hindu**

Founded in 1878, The Hindu is one of India's most respected English-language newspapers. Known for its editorial seriousness and in-depth reporting, it covers national politics, international affairs, economics, and social issues. The Hindu was among the first Indian newspapers to establish an online presence and continues to maintain a reputation for analytical journalism and structured editorial perspectives.

## **India Today**

Launched in 1975, India Today is one of India's leading media brands, spanning print, television, and digital platforms. The publication is known for its investigative journalism, political coverage, and opinion-based analysis. Over time, the India Today Group has expanded into a diversified media network, maintaining significant influence over public discourse in India and South Asia.

## **Times of India:**

The Times of India (TOI), established in 1838, is one of the largest circulated English-language newspapers in the world. Published by Bennett, Coleman & Co. Ltd., it forms the flagship of the Times Group, one of India's largest media conglomerates. TOI covers politics, business, culture, and global events, combining mainstream reporting with mass readership appeal across multiple platforms.

**CNN:**

Cable News Network (CNN), founded in 1980 and headquartered in Atlanta, was the first 24-hour news television channel. CNN revolutionized continuous news coverage, particularly during major global crises. Today, CNN operates international editions and digital platforms, providing global coverage on politics, conflict, business, and social issues. It is known for real-time reporting and large-scale global news dissemination.

**The Guardian:**

The Guardian, founded in 1821 and owned by the Scott Trust, is a British daily newspaper recognized for its liberal editorial stance and investigative journalism. It operates with an emphasis on editorial independence and global reporting. The Guardian has gained international recognition for major investigative collaborations and in-depth coverage of politics, climate change, and human rights.

**The Wall Street Journal:**

Founded in 1889, The Wall Street Journal (WSJ) is a leading American newspaper specializing in business, finance, and economic affairs. Headquartered in New York, the Journal provides comprehensive coverage of global markets, corporate developments, and political-economic policy. It is widely regarded as a newspaper of record for the financial community and maintains significant influence in global economic discourse.

## 8. Submission and Deadlines:

Submit your reports on time. Besides your legal duty to the room, a friendly gesture towards the Executive Board is through timely submissions, keeping the track of the mentioned deadlines which show your personality and your regard to the other top order- management members. Causality of missing deadlines won't be justified unless in crucial situations and will be one of the things that the Executive Board will judge to be against you. The board will give you possible deadlines and extensions to be followed:

- Every Reporter is required to submit their regular committee session at the end of the day by 11:30 P.M.
- The Opinion Editorials are pieces that can be submitted within the extended deadlines with the expectation of them being submitted within the specified time constraints.
- The delegate will also need to submit their comic strips ,cartoons and caricatures inclusive of all other additional content reports like photographs, interviews, audio recordings of interviews etc., along with their committee session reports.
- Delegates are requested to submit a concise summary, mentioning key insights of the press conference scheduled for a committee and therefore must not submit a committee session report for the same.

## 9. Parting Note:

This Background Guide, though extensively edited and instructional, serves as a genuine reference as well as a base of exploration. The International Press Corps is an extremely dynamic and dedicated committee and thus, there is a lot each delegate must prepare themselves for.

Good luck again!

Regards,  
(The IPC)

