

WRITING RESOLUTIONS

Each resolution is a single sentence, the different sections are separated by placing commas and semicolons. The subject of the sentence is the official body: in this case the Model European Parliament.

STRUCTURE

Committee.....submits the following resolution to the Model European Parliament

Resolution about

The Model European Parliament....

- 1 sources of **INFORMATION**: referring to:
publications, conventions, treaties, agreements, brochures,
statements, guidelines + numbers + dates
- 2 which **ARGUMENTS** are used = (Introductory clauses)

letters:

- considering that
- assuming that
- emphasizing that
- alarmed by
- aware of
- believing that
- noting
- etc. see following list (page 6)

- 3 actual **QUESTIONS** and **PROPOSALS** = (Operative clauses)

numbers:

- asks
- 1. 2. 3. etc
- requests
- urges
- draws the attention
- proposes
- considers necessary
- demands
- recommends
- etc. see following list

It is important that the committees use the above structure in the drafts of the resolutions.

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Introductory clauses

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

Operative clauses

Accepts	Further proclaims
Affirms	Further reminds
Approves	Further recommends
Authorizes	Further resolves
Calls	Further requests
Calls upon	Have resolved
Condemns	Notes
Congratulates	Proclaims
Confirms	Reaffirms
Considers	Recommends
Declares accordingly	Reminds
Deplores	Regrets

Draws the attention	Requests
Designates	Solemnly affirms
Emphasizes	Strongly condemns
Encourages	Supports
Endorses	Trusts
Expresses its appreciation	Takes note of
Expresses its hope	Transmits
Further invites	Urges

EXAMPLE:

Political Committee submits the following resolution to the Model European Parliament.

Resolution about the effects of the Gulf War on European cooperation.

The Model European Parliament

- A. Recognizing the need for the European Community and its individual member states to review their policies as a result of the Gulf War,
- B. Deeply regretting the use of force and all casualties, especially civilian casualties, caused by the Gulf Crisis,
- C. Alarmed by the fact that much of the Iraqi arsenal was supplied by Western nations, especially by EC member states,
- D. Concerned that the EC's attempt at a peaceful solution of the conflict contradicted declared NATO policy in fulfilling the UN resolutions,
- E. Fully recognizing the damage inflicted by the war effort on the infrastructure and the environment of the Gulf region,

1. Affirms that the consequences of the Gulf Crisis commit all member states to upholding international laws and the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, both inside and outside the EC;
2. Calls for the creation of a common and coordinated European Defence Policy;
3. Resolves accordingly to establish a permanent common European Defense Council (EDC), which is to be constituted equally of representatives of all the EC member states and which will be accountable to the Council of Foreign Ministers;
4. Recommends that the European Defense Council coordinate individual European armies with the prospect of creating a common European Security System, including the possibility of a European Defence force;
5. Insists that member states of the EC are not bound to follow or participate in the military consequences of decisions of individual EDC countries;
6. Argues however that member states (particularly neutral ones such as Denmark and Ireland) disagreeing with declared EC decisions in this area of policy must remain neutral and under no circumstances actively oppose the policy;
7. Requests etc.....