

LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Greetings Delegates,

Welcome to the 52nd edition of HAMUN, and its African Union Committee! My name is Anaamika Munnungi, and it is my honour to serve as your chair for this year's conference.

Although I may be relatively new to Texas, having been born and raised in the Golden State, I feel as though the 4 years I have spent here have done their job and fully immersed me in Texan culture. I began my Model UN journey somewhere in the interim, and currently I'm a freshman studying Astrophysics at Texas A&M University. I've been participating in Model United Nations for as long as I can remember; that is, since the 7th grade, and could not think of a program that has been more rewarding. I've participated across conferences as a delegate, staff member, and secretariat member, and can promise the experience only gets better the more you put yourself into it.

I chose to staff the AU largely due to its internal workings and the way it functions as a specialized committee. With the heavy involvement of the Union and their various branches in peacekeeping, I'm so excited to see how you work through them diplomatically to accomplish your goals. I believe there is so much to work with in this committee, and trust all of you as more than capable of making the most of this experience.

I am so excited to see all of you and how you'll contribute to this debate and I'm so grateful to be able to experience this committee with you. Whether this is your first specialized committee, or you're a seasoned veteran, I want you to know I am always available if you have any questions or concerns. Cheers to fruitful debate, and a successful committee!

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