

LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Hello Delegates,

Welcome to HAMUN 52! My name is Timothy Zhang, and I will be your chair for this year's ASEAN Regional Forum!

I'm a 2nd-year student at the University of Texas at Austin double majoring in philosophy and humanities, with a minor in government. I competed in Speech and Debate throughout high school (LD was my main event!) and quickly joined MUN after learning of their similarities. Since then, I've participated in numerous conferences and staffed as vice-chair of UNSC at HAMUN 51.

I chose to chair ARF because of the regional focus it holds, allowing for more concentrated dialogue on political and security issues of concern. The Asia-Pacific region offers a breadth of topics, and as delegates, I hope you all explore its range.

Regardless of whether you're a veteran or if this will be your first time competing, above all, HAMUN is a place to learn and grow. Every member state offers a unique position to represent, and I believe the debate will reflect this. I hope the conference will bring memorable experiences, opportunities to meet new friends, and a passion for the event. If there are any questions y'all might have, please reach out!

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