

Duties of the Executive Branch

Section 1: Presidential Cabinet

1. The President of the Model Congress shall be elected by the electors of the Model Congress.
2. The President shall be elected following the procedures in Appendix Three, Section 2, of these Rules of Procedures.
3. The President, Vice President, Chief of Staff, Executive Cabinet Secretaries, and any other individuals appointed by the President or by the Executive Committee of the Model Congress shall be the official members of the Presidential Cabinet.
4. The Duties of the President of the Model Congress shall be:
 - a. To declare the opening and closing of the Model Congress;
 - b. To give an annual State of the Union address to the members of the Model Congress, in a joint session of Congress;
 - c. To appoint, in coordination with the Executive Committee of the Model Congress, such officers as he/she deems necessary, and, remove them, with the consent and counsel of the Executive Committee;
 - d. To assist in the implementation and development of the marketing and advertising of the National Model U.S. Congress program;
 - e. To Assist with training and development of Model Congress attendees;
 - f. During a National Model U.S. Congress event the President shall:
 - i. Execute the duties of the President of the Model Congress;
 - ii. Uphold the Constitution of the United States of America;
 - iii. Direct the functions of the Executive Branch of the Model Congress
 - iv. Prepare and advance a legislative agenda;
 - v. Act on any legislation presented for action by the Legislative Branch within the timeframe established in these Rules of Procedures, Section IX – Final Passage;
 - vi. Host press conferences, and,
 - vii. Perform any other duties as assigned by the Executive Committee of the Model Congress, and;
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5. The Duties of the Vice President of the Model Congress shall be:
 - a. To assist the President of the Model Congress in the execution of his/her duties;
 - b. To assist in the implementation and development of the marketing and advertising of the National Model U.S. Congress program;
 - c. To Assist with training and development of Model Congress attendees;
 - d. During a National Model U.S. Congress event the Vice President shall:
 - i. Execute the duties of the Vice President of the United States of America;
 - ii. Assist the President of the Model Congress execute his/her duties;
 - iii. Advance the legislative agenda of the President of the Model Congress;
 - iv. Serve as President of the Senate of the Model Congress;

- v. Act as a liaison between the Legislative Branch and the Executive Branch of the Model Congress;
 - vi. Cast a tie vote in the event of a Senate deadlock, and;
 - vii. In coordination with the Supervisor of Elections of the Model Congress, certify the votes cast in the presidential elections of the Model Congress general election.
- e. Perform any other duties as assigned by the Executive Committee of the Model Congress.

Section 2: Election of the President and Vice President of the Model Congress

1. Electors:

- a. All registered attendees attending the National Model U.S. Congress in which the President and Vice President will be chosen shall be eligible to vote in the primary and general election;
- b. Electors must be present to cast a vote, and;
- c. Conference Credentials are required for voting.

2. Declaration of Candidacy:

- a. An Application for Model Congress President must be submitted by 11:59 local time on the first day of the conference;
- b. Applications must be submitted online via the Model Congress website; no paper applications will be accepted, and;
- c. All qualified applicants shall be placed on the primary ballot for the Democratic and Republican political parties.

3. Primary Elections:

- a. Candidates of the major political parties may give a candidate speech during the last Party Meetings held on the opening day of the Model Congress;
- b. Primary Elections shall be open and held by secret ballot on the second day of the Model Congress;
- c. A Vice Presidential candidate shall be selected by the end of the second day;
- d. Vice Presidential candidate shall complete an Application for Model Congress Vice President by the end of the second day; and;
- e. The candidate with a simple majority vote of the votes cast shall be placed on the ballot for the general election.

4. General Elections:

- a. The winner of the primary election from the primary votes as well as any independent candidates shall be placed on the ballot for the general elections;
- b. Candidates shall participate in a town hall debate and deliver a candidate speech on the second day of the model congress;
- c. The General Election shall be held at a time selected by the Executive Committee of the Model Congress and published in the conference program;
- d. General Elections shall be open and held by secret ballot;

- e. The Supervisor of Elections and the Vice President of the Model Congress shall certify votes cast, and;
- f. The winner of the General Election shall be announced at the conferences' discretion.

Section 3: Duration of Term

1. The term of President and Vice President shall commence at the end of the Model Congress conference in which the election took place and shall last until the election of a new President and Vice President;
2. A President is limited to one term unless granted an exception by unanimous consent of the Executive Committee of the Model Congress, and;
3. The term of any other Presidential Cabinet members shall commence from the time of appointment until the election of a new President or as determined by the Executive Committee of Model Congress.

Section 4: Removal from Office

1. The President and/or Vice President and any appointed Cabinet members may be removed from office if:
 - a. They do not abide by the terms of the Volunteer Staff Application;
 - b. Failure to uphold the Rules of Procedures of the Model Congress;
 - c. By proceedings as set forth in the U.S. Constitution, and;
 - d. If found, by a simple majority of the members of the Executive Committee of the Model Congress, to not be fulfilling the duties and responsibilities of the position.

