

Dear Delegates,

I'm really looking forward to meeting you all in February and I just wanted to take a few minutes of your time to introduce myself and what we will be trying to achieve in the UNODC on YUNMUN XXX.

My name is Zak Benarroch and I'm the Chair of UNODC. I grew up in London, UK, graduated Hasmonian High School (Hasmo) in 2015, and consequently spent 2 years partly studying in Yeshivat Aish Geshar in Jerusalem and a music school in Tel Aviv called TACI. I am currently a senior in the YU Sy Syms School of Business and am majoring in Entrepreneurship and Leadership with a minor in Music. During my time here at YU I have been involved with campus and university life as I am currently a Head Resident Advisor (RA) and was an RA last year. This is going to be my second year participating in YUNMUN, last year I was the Administrative Assistant for UNHRC. My hobbies and passions include singing, table tennis (I'm currently the captain of the YU Ping Pong team), Football (the real type, not the American one) and enjoying life!

UNODC is a global leader in the fight against illicit drugs and international crime. Established in 1997 through a merger between the United Nations Drug Control Programme and the Centre for International Crime Prevention, UNODC is mandated to assist Member States in their struggle against illicit drugs, crime and terrorism. This year, our committee will specifically be discussing regulating the pharmaceutical industry and e-cigarettes.

Please note that this year UNODC will be operating as a technology committee. For more information on technology committees, please see the FAQ sheet, Technology Committee Procedure Guide, and YUNMUN Technology Committee Explained which will all be posted on the YUNMUN website. I am really looking forward to meeting you all and watching you guys tackle real issues that the world is facing! Please note that all papers will be checked for plagiarism through turnitin.com. Feel free to email me with any questions, thoughts, comments, opinions, or just to introduce yourself and say hello at zbenarro@mail.yu.edu. Good luck!

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