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# Message from the Secretary General



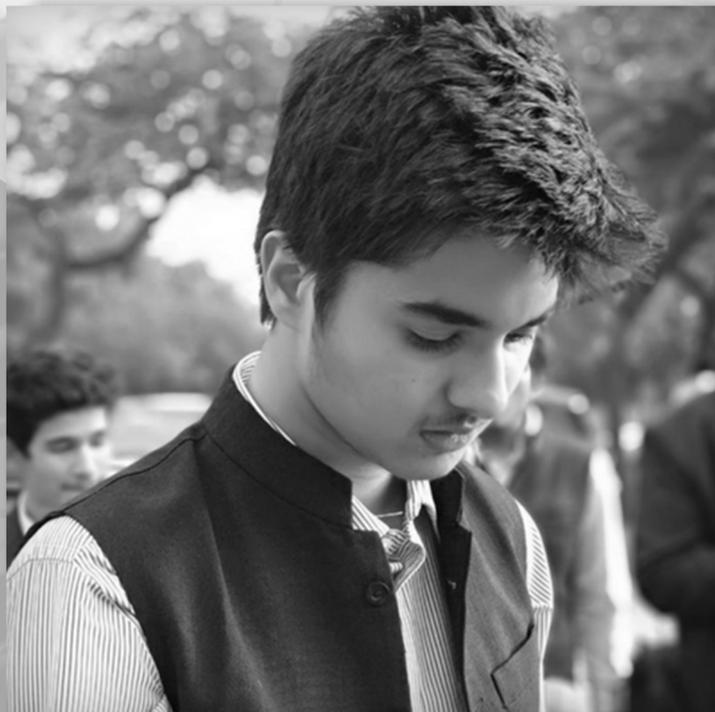
HARSHIT YADAV

Greetings Ladies and Gentlemen!

In a country of all kinds of competitions, Model UN started off as a brilliant concept, but has progressed overwhelmingly that the very essence of it has been fading over time. The decision to host CESSUM Model United Nations in an unusually short span of time sparked from the idea of "quality over quantity", and I'm honoured to welcome you to the conference that is finally taking place in accordance to all that was forethought.

I've been a part of the MUN circuit in India, and sometimes beyond, since 2013. Needless to say, it has been my all-time favourite till the time I completed high-school. CESSUM'18 is truly special to me, and hopefully to some more people, because this is probably the first time I thought it as an event besides just 'me'. There are so many problems to take on, but so little that have actually been dealt with; raising funds for the non-profit, Pragyata Foundation, was just one very small way I planned to do my little- but I see lots that can be done. We have sight but remain blinded; we have feelings, yet we foster ignorance; most importantly, we have advice, but only to give and not to inculcate. The good part is, with the bad one said, that we can certainly change the 'moment' we decide to; I feel that my responsibility as a Secretary General is fulfilled if that moment is **\*\*THIS\*\***, for even one of you who took your precious time out for reading this message.

With that being said, I welcome you once again to a culmination of the 'best' of every small thing that totally constitute to be known as CESSUM Model United Nations 2018, literally the 'Real' MUN. Best of luck for the conference, I hope you gain experience and learning that can be cherished forever!



# Pragyata Foundation's Message

Warm Greetings!

It is our heartfelt delight to welcome you all to Cessum Model United Nations 2018 being organized by Pragyata Foundation.

Established in 2015, Pragyata Foundation is a leading Non-Profit Organisation which has been conducting activities with absolute resolution in aspects such as women empowerment, promotion and protection of child rights, education, human rights awareness, health and welfare and the MDGs.

Through Cessum Model United Nations, we aim towards inspiring young minds so that we are able to make a noble change, and also expand our projects for the underprivileged and neglected sections of our society to a much larger scale.

We actively seek volunteers to assist us with our activities and events, to help raise funds and to participate in relief work during emergencies. We would delightfully welcome everyone who has a noble idea in their mind to come forward and share it with us. For more details, please visit our website: [www.pragyatafoundation.org](http://www.pragyatafoundation.org). We are always here to turn your noble ideas into reality.

Once again, we welcome each one of you to Cessum Model United Nations 2018 and hope that you enjoy the event as much as you learn from it.

Best Wishes,  
Team Pragyata



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*AGENDA: Dealing with threats revolving around weapons of mass destruction with special emphasis on Iran.*

## Trudging towards Global Peace

-Avni Sharma

*"Nuclear proliferation – the proliferation of WMDs altogether – is one of the greatest dangers of our time."*

-**Timothy Garton Ash**

Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMDs) have always been known to bring significant harm. The requisite to prevent the spread of these weapons has been apparent since the early days of the Manhattan Project. Even today, nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation are among the highest priorities on the international political agenda. But before these goals can be achieved

Iran's nuclear capabilities have been a hot topic for some time now. At present, Iran claims to not possess WMDs – a claim supported by the International Atomic Energy Agency. The state's policy is to use nuclear power as a peaceful means of generating energy. Further, Iran does have certain international obligations in terms with the Non-Proliferation Treaty. Yet, there are those who would argue for greater vigilance, even superseding that provided by the IAEA. With the danger of the acquisition of Weapons of Mass Destruction by terrorist groups rising – and the ramifications of such a brokerage being catastrophic – they would advise wariness of a State reputed for aiding the actions of extremists in the past.

It is now in the hands of the United Nations as a whole to carry out its function vigorously to prevent and combat such illicit trading activities, and curb any further WMD proliferation.

## A Breach of Trust (& Data)

-Seerat Ghai

Cambridge Analytica is British political consulting firm which combines data mining, brokerage and analysis with strategic communication to aid politicians in elections. Their CEO, Alexander Nix, has stated that the firm was involved in 44 US political races in 2014. In 2015, it performed data analysis for Ted Cruz's presidential run, and in 2016, led Donald Trump's team to victory. Further, it worked for the Leave campaign during Britain's referendum to withdraw from the EU. Its role in these campaigns has been controversial and is the subject of ongoing investigations on both sides of the Atlantic.

Recently, Cambridge Analytica's former employee Christopher Wylie turned whistleblower. He revealed that the company bought user data from an application called "This Is Your Digital Life", which Facebook allegedly encouraged its users to download. The data collected through this 'app' was allegedly shared with Cambridge Analytica. The data of almost 50 million people was collected for analysis, according to claims now under review by the European Court of Justice. This data ranged from preferences in online shopping, political opinions shared with friends, posts liked or shared privately – essentially, a gold mine for data analysts. That said, it could be devastating for a person's private life should it reach the wrong hands (if it should be in any hands at all).

The question now arises as to what penalty, if any, will be imposed on Facebook Inc. – a multi-billion dollar international conglomerate that had formerly promised to not release said data without the express consent of those to whom it belonged. It's time to wait and watch what happens.

*AGENDA: Data leak and Privacy*

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*AGENDA: Defining 'fundamental' universal standards for 'rights' of women with respect to religion and technology in the 21st century*

## To the closed-minded,

I am in the grips of sorrow. Not a day goes by when I am not made to realise that I'm somehow inferior. But no one seems to tell me why. Not even those who tell me to not enter the house when I'm bleeding. I long to go out of my house without a burqa over my face, into a society where men don't stare at me because of my clothes and where being a girl is not considered a burden. Right from the start, the values of meekness and submissiveness are forcibly instilled in us. I have heard ammi scream at the top of her lungs so many times when abba takes her in their room at night. She cries and howls and yet aapa keeps me embraced in her lap. She covers my ears so I don't hear the pain. Today, while all three of us were cooking lunch, ammi suddenly started crying. Tears rolled down her cheeks as she continued to cook without a halt. abba was coming home for lunch. She couldn't be late in serving food or she would be punished, again. I wipe off her tears and continued to cook. I ask you people who have minds with no open windows, is your tolerance and patience really so marginal? Is there really nothing that we can do? Nothing to stop abba from punishing ammi? Or to stop him from forcibly getting aapa married? Aapa is just 15. She still wants to study. But abba says that it's not right to let a girl study after she's 15. He says all the men outside have already started asking questions.

I wonder if that's the situation of other women in the city! I think there aren't many because if there were, wouldn't the knowledgeable and the educated stop it from happening? Wouldn't there be rules and regulations to stop people like abba from doing what they do? And if there are laws, why aren't they working? I wonder what would be if all women were as free and privileged as men. Or rather, I hope there comes a time when 'being privileged' is something you could be based on your education and not your gender. After all, we are not the ones who decide if we'll be a girl or a boy. Then why does it decide so many things for us.

Maybe the changing, developed and technologically-advanced world will be able to make a change. A change in the way you people with closed minds think. And if we aim to liberate women, we must do so in all ways possible and start doing so by opening and expanding the minds of these men.

Sincerely,  
A hopeful girl

## 1958: Historic Security Council



FREEZE DATE: 12th June, 1958

*THEME: X (Continuous Crisis Committee)*

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*AGENDA: Planning human colonisation beyond earth, focusing on economic, technological, and legal possibilities/grounds.*

## An Open Letter to the NASA

6th July, 2018

To,  
Dr H. Jekyll  
Administrator(National Aeronautics & Space Administration)

Sir,  
Your ambitious plans to colonise space have the world absolutely captivated. However, I stand opposed to the popular belief that human colonisation would be necessary in the near future. The question I wish to raise here is have we learnt nothing from our past mistakes? Doesn't the word "colonisation" carry a negative connotation in itself? The transient nature of Earth is something everyone is aware of, and it is inevitable. I believe we must not fight it. Although, what we can do is fight for the betterment of our own home, planet Earth.

Millions of dollars have been invested in your pioneering space projects, to "perpetuate" the human population. These funds could instead be used to remedy our own planet and subsequently prevent a situation as such from coming into debate in the first place. It is, according to me, unnatural to set foot and live amidst an atmosphere that is not our own. I believe there is plenty of room and time left to rectify our mistakes and start waking up.

As Christopher Mason said "Right now all of our eggs are in one basket and that basket is Earth" and it shall remain so. We must limit our mistakes within the frontiers of Earth and learn to conquer them with compassion and appreciation for this beautiful planet that we call our home. It is never too late.

Yours truly,  
Bhakti Kalidhar

## The resentful cry of a Syrian..

Dear diary,

A Syrian, a targeted Syrian. That's what I am.

Two in the morning can be the most honest hour of the day. I can't sleep. I'm wide awake with the memories of Papa. I was there. I stood lifeless and mourning as my Papa's corpse was lowered into the pit. Women were holding back my mom as she cried and screamed to see her husband for one last time. Winds crashing, with the scent of rain and the grit of sand beneath my feet, I could feel it. My dad, my dearest dad was no more. He was now on his way to Allah's heaven. Was it an accident? A medical condition? No. Papa was murdered by the bloodthirsty terrorists who thought of only one thing – anarchy. They murdered him as he sat on the road with hundreds, protesting against the inhumane acts of the terrorists and the inability of the government to protect its citizens. Soon after I came back to my senses, I decided that we had to leave this place. We had to go to a place where we didn't live in fear always, where we were treated a humans. We left for a new haven as soon as I completed 9th standard in school. We now live in a peaceful and prosperous city where people are friendly and we feel safe.

But now that I look back, I think that the region's most acute problem is the blatant disregard for human life and basic human rights. The new governments in the Middle East, especially Al-Assad's government in Syria, does not consider it a priority to extinguish the terrorists. They treat the death of many as a game. Rights denied, families separated and fear instilled, the Syrians continue to hope that their lives are bettered, their cries are heard and that the world comes together to help them.

When will it end?

*AGENDA: Restoring and sustaining human-rights in post-conflict and war-stricken regions*

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**AGENDA:** *Analysing precedence and application of international law in special circumstances, with emphasis on breach of security and sovereignty*

## Engulfing Enigma

*Gayatri Singh writes with the pen of a child stuck in the Iranian War.*

I am sick and tired.  
I am sick and tired of this war; this havoc around me.

Every night,  
As I cry myself to sleep,  
I wonder,  
Will abbu return?  
Will ammi stop working in others' houses?  
Will I be allowed to go to school again?

I miss how things used to be.  
I miss seeing cricket matches with abbu;  
I never valued my time with him.

And now,  
When he's stuck in bloodshed and war,  
I hope he returns.

They say,  
"It's all to end the terrorism."

But how will another war,  
Another loss of lives,  
Another disruption,  
Ever lead to peace?

-Ali, an innocent

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