



# NUMUN

## **Northwestern University Model United Nations**

Delegates:

My staff and I are very excited to welcome you to NUMUN VII's Disarmament and International Security Committee.

My name is Nikhil Bafna and over the course of NUMUN VII, I will serve as your chair. As a senior at Northwestern University, this is the fourth year that I am chairing a committee at the NUMUN conference and I am proud to say that the quality of debate and competition has only gotten better each year. I am very confident that this year will exceed last year's quality in these areas. At this conference, as at all conferences, we expect that all the delegates conduct themselves in a proper manner and keep this conference as professional as possible. While we are confident that all of you will do so, let this simply serve as a reminder. Additionally, in the interest of the quality of debate in this conference, let us also remind all the delegates to represent the interests of their countries and not of their own personal viewpoints. The quality of any delegate's performance will be based on how well a country's policy is represented and pursued, and so all of us on the dais staff will look favorably upon those who represent their countries properly.

Ultimately, while not everyone will receive prizes, it is also important to remember that you learn new things, meet new people and most importantly, enjoy yourselves while participating in NUMUN. Although quality of debate certainly is a factor of how successful a conference is, so is the level of delegate enthusiasm; so please do keep in mind that this competition is to be taken in good spirits. That having been said, I look forward to seeing you all in April, and until then, good luck with your research and topic papers.

Best,

Nikhil Bafna

Chair of DISEC