**Individual Position Paper**

Choose **ONE** topic below and form a **THESIS** statement to explore the main issues posed. A thesis statement clearly expresses the author’s opinion on the subject and can be argued and supported with evidence. Therefore, explore and form your OPINION on the issue, bringing in evidence to SUPPORT your thesis. Evidence from the debate is important, but it is also important to include proof of research on the essential themes and concepts presented within each topic. Use examples of scenarios within the debate to support these themes.

**TOPICS:**

What are the strengths and weaknesses of this form of conflict resolution? What would you do differently if you were to structure this discussion format?

Were you confident in the likelihood of an agreement at the beginning of the day? How did this change? What, if any, were the significant turning points in the negotiations?

Did you find it easier or more difficult to negotiate in a smaller group within the members of your own country versus a larger group at the intergovernmental level interacting with all members in the class? What similarities or differences did you evaluate? Why do you think they were present?

Was there anyone missing from the negotiations? What would their viewpoint be and why? Do you think a majority of their goals would be met? If yes, how? If no, why not?

**GUIDELINES:**

* Students will research, plan and write their Position Paper during provided lab time.
* Paper therefore must be typed, double spaced, min 11pt font (Arial, Times or Calibri).
* Please submit a completed Reference List using appropriate citing (APA, MLA, Chicago).
* Review the attached Rubric for specific assessment expectations.