



THE FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL NORTH AMERICAN INVITATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS

United Kingdom National Security Apparatus: Coordinated Crisis Explanation

What is This Organ?

This year at NAIMUN, the UKNSA will serve as our coordinated crisis organ. The British House of Commons (BHOC), British Cabinet, Royal Irish Constabulary (RIC), British Secret Intelligence Service (BSIS), and Irish Republican Army (IRA) will all be operating on the same timeline throughout the conference, beginning on December 14, 1918. The primary conflict to be addressed, by all committees, throughout the weekend will be the Anglo-Irish War, which was triggered in part by the events of the 1918 parliamentary elections. The delegates participating in these committees will have the opportunity to impact not just their own committee through their directives and crisis actions, but also the rest of the committees in the organ (for example, a declaration of war in one committee will be announced to the other committees in the organ).

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the Undersecretary-General and Deputy Undersecretary-General of this organ, Georgina Kenchington (g.kenchington@modelun.org) and Charlotte Phillips (c.phillips@modelun.org) or the Secretary-General Christian Mesa (naimunsg@modelun.org).

To get into the specifics of how the coordinated crisis will work, here is a committee-by-committee breakdown of the opportunities delegates will have to impact the organ as a whole:

British House of Commons (BHOC)



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The British House of Commons (BHOC) will be serving as the large committee in the coordinated crisis organ this year. Delegates in BHOC will be confronted with the repercussions of members of the Sinn Féin party refusing to take their seats in parliament following the 1918 parliamentary elections, and responding to growing Irish resentment of British rule. This committee, unlike the others, will function as a typical General Assembly style committee; delegates will have the choice between debating three topics, which will in some way be related to the rest of the organ. The solutions created in BHOC may impact the other committees in the form of news articles on the parliament's progress, speaking updates, etc., but delegates will not be writing personal crisis notes.

British Cabinet, Royal Irish Constabulary (RIC), British Secret Intelligence Service (BSIS)

The British Cabinet, Royal Irish Constabulary (RIC), and British Secret Intelligence Service (BSIS) will be the bodies operating on the British side of the Anglo-Irish War. Delegates in any of these three committees will have the opportunity to work with each other, or in some cases against each other, to achieve their service's goals. Means of working together may include:

- Sending notes to delegates in the other two crisis committees: Along with sending their own crisis notes, delegates may choose to communicate with delegates in either the British Cabinet, RIC, or BSIS through sending personal notes to the crisis staff. This serves as a means by which delegates can influence or gain information from the other committees in the organ.
- Meeting with delegates in the other two crisis committees: After opening communications with delegates in the other committees, two or more delegates from separate committees may choose to meet to further discuss their goals or plot further crisis action. These meetings can be accomplished through sending a note, signed by both delegates, to the



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crisis staff requesting such a meeting. Meetings will be monitored by members of the crisis staff.

- Passing joint crisis notes with delegates in the other two crisis committees: If delegates have devised plans or ideas with delegates in other committees, they may choose to write joint crisis notes together, usually done during meetings. These joint crisis notes may impact the larger timeline as a whole.

Outside of direct communication, directives passed in any of the committees may (and probably will) create repercussions for the rest of the organ. These actions should work toward advancing the British cause during the Anglo-Irish War, as all of the committees will continuously run on the same timeline.

The Irish Republican Army (IRA)

While the Irish Republican Army (IRA) will be running on the same timeline as the other four committees and will receive many of the same crisis updates, this committee will remain isolated in terms of the coordinated crisis universe. Delegates in the IRA should aim to gain independence, circumvent the British rule and cause, and sabotage the rest of the committees. Directives passed in this committee will impact the rest of the organ, however delegates may not send notes to or meet with delegates in the other committees (the Irish are too loyal for that sort of collusion).

In Summation

While all committees in this organ begin on the same date and function on the same timeline, BHOC will run as a traditional GA, only the delegates in the British Cabinet, RIC, and BSIS will have the ability to interact amongst these three committees, and the IRA will be isolated and unable to interact with the rest of the organ.