



UN Security Council Policy Review Memo Rubric

CONCERNS <i>What needs improvement</i>	CRITERIA <i>What is expected</i>	ADVANCED <i>What is excellent</i>
	Subject paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is brief• Places the issue in the larger context of U.S. foreign policy• Clearly states whether the writer agrees or disagrees with the president's decision	
	Options and Analysis paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discusses each option that came up during the role-play in discrete paragraphs• Weighs the advantages and disadvantages of each option• If options from the position memo are discussed, those options contain additional analysis	
	Recommendation and Justification paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Makes a clear recommendation based on the writer's personal position• Supports the recommendation effectively	
	Reflection paragraph or paragraphs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reflects on and critiques the Security Council's decision• Is written from a personal point of view, not that of the assigned role	