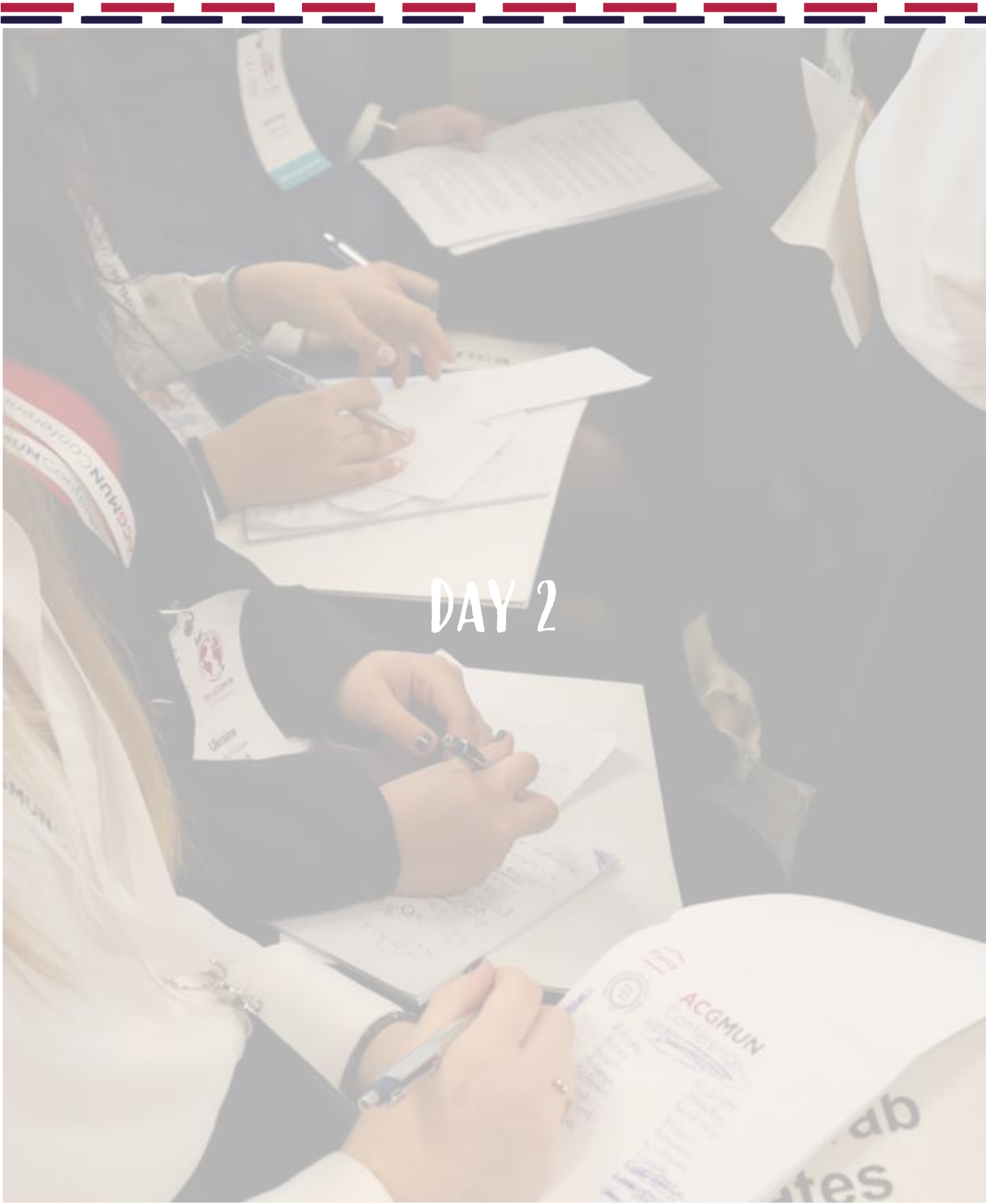




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MEET THE SECRETARIAT





SECRETARY–GENERAL: EVAGGELIA GIANOPOULOU (PIERCE)

Q: What is the most important way in which the MUN has influenced your life?

Definitely the confidence it has given me for public speaking , the knowledge I have gained from it and the amazing people I have met during my MUN years.

DEPUTY SECRETARY–GENERAL: MARILIA GIANNAKAKI (PIERCE)

Q: What do you think is the most important quality that a person participating in the MUN should have and why?

In my opinion adaptability is crucial for participants in Model United Nations, as it enables them to navigate diverse perspectives and swiftly adjust strategies in a dynamic environment, ultimately enhancing collaboration and problem-solving skills necessary for diplomatic success.



DEPUTY SECRETARY–GENERAL: FOTEINI GNARDELI (PIERCE)

Q: Which MUN committee is closest to your heart and why?

WHO for sure because it's always the committee that doesn't have any issues with anything (and because of the memories from last year's ACG-MUN





DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL: VASILIKI MAMITSA (DSA)

Q: Which is your favourite MUN experience and why

You know, despite how ordinary it may sound, my standout MUN experience happened at THIMUN. I got to be the Deputy President of the Security Council there. It was a blast feeling like I had some real power, at least until you remember the Secretariat holds the real reins, right?

PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY: FANI KANTZAVELOS (HAEF)

Q: What do you think is the best and worst part of being in the MUN secretariat?

Best: Working with four amazing girls and our beloved advisory board.

Worst: The drama...





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UNDERLINING INFLUENCE OF RUSSIAN OPINION OF THE UKRAINE WAR

The War in Ukraine certainly is a controversial and widely debated topic in the West, with opinions varying widely on its morality and Western interference. Russian society however has no qualms in supporting the war almost in its entirety, due to several factors, which may seem initially justified, but upon further inspection, based on internationally recognized sources, are a total sham. Russian society is primarily fond of three widespread ideological standpoints, all supporting the unjustified invasion in one way or another.



The most widespread belief in Russia is the one perpetrated by Russian state-sponsored media, primarily affecting middle- and lower-class civilians, with lack of education and financial independence. Their main arguments mention the need for the “denazification of Ukraine”, as the common perception is that Ukraine has been infested with nationalist politicians controlling political life, who led and continue to lead state efforts in eliminating Russian-speaking populations across Ukraine, by having the military commit ethnic cleansing on a regular basis. However, this opinion lacks any sufficient evidence, in order to be backed, as there is overwhelming reporting of Russian war crimes since the beginning of the invasion, with suspected war crimes being a staggering 125,000 in number. The pretext of a fascist state are no different, as it is clear as day that Russia and its puppet, Belarus, are the only state within Europe with such an extreme lack of basic freedoms and disregard of human rights, even towards their own citizens.

An important, but smaller number of Russians claim that, while Russia may lack a sufficient reason to invade Ukraine, an invasion is still necessary in order to fulfill Russia's interests in the region and expand Russian power, essentially creating a sphere of influence, with the remaining countries acting as puppet states, serving their needs. A core part of this ideology is obsolete imperialism, manifested through expansionism. A subgroup of these people surprisingly are against the war, but also view it as a means of stopping NATO from expanding and furthering Russia's power. This notion, while logical for a beneficiary of Russian actions, completely misses UN accords delineating a country's rights, as every action taken against a sovereign nation for expansion of power is viewed as an act worthy of being denounced at the least, while at the same time does not recognize Ukraine's right to join whatever organization it wills.



In conclusion, Russian society is influenced through authoritarian means, such as propaganda and misrepresentation of the facts, allowing pro-war beliefs to arise and Russia's war cause to further gain traction. Nonetheless, the democratic West should not give in to pressure from the Kremlin and other authoritarian groups, manifested through propaganda, essentially dissolving the foundations of a highly functioning system.

IMPACT OF SOCIAL MEDIA ON DEMOCRACY

Social Media has undoubtedly monopolized everyone's life, having made itself an irreplaceable tool for human survival. In terms of politics, many suggest it has relevantly influenced democracy's workings, but whether those effects are negative or positive is an issue to be significantly discussed.

To begin with, the establishment of a media-sharing platform has created an internationally recognized and user-friendly area in which society can share information and be informed on the tenets of democracy. As long as individuals have access to the internet, they can get ahold of any relevant opinions within seconds, meanwhile being able to express their own take on a certain issue.

With social media, young adults and diverse voters, who wouldn't be able to contribute otherwise, have the option to be mobilized and immersed in the inner workings of politics. This worldwide exposure that social media provide is something that no politician or other tool can achieve. The thing about Martin Luther King Jr. or Ella Baker is that they could not just wake up and sit at the breakfast table and talk to a million people. Whereas nowadays anyone can simply do that!



However, as much as we want to view social media as a “user friendly area”, the reality is that it's a *battleground*. A gory and unethical battlefield, where wrong prevails and every core value of Democracy is bound to be misinterpreted one way or another. The issue is that exposure allows EVERYONE to speak, every single person who might share dictatorial, tyrannical or apartheid viewpoints gets a slice of the pie. Additionally, forming “echo chambers” in which all xenophobes join forces to manipulate the illiterate and deliberately present democracy as a political system. More importantly, the media tend to dramatize certain events, whilst only presenting an incomplete portion of the truth. Overall, contributing to keeping the majority of commonfolk uniformed, instead of letting them take part in society's functions.



In conclusion, social media has become an individual entity capable of bending the idea of democracy to its will, while simultaneously exposing it and allowing citizens to adopt it. To avoid the negative impact of media intervention, it is up to each one of us to learn to differentiate actual democratic behavior

-Petros Kokkalis

IS THIS NEW SKIRT REALLY WORTH IT? AN ARTICLE ABOUT FAST FASHION

The phrase "fast fashion" has gained importance in discussions about sustainability, environmental conscience, and fashion. "Cheaply produced and priced garments that copy the latest catwalk styles and get pumped through stores in order to maximize on current trends" are the words used to describe the phenomenon. The fast fashion model gets its name from the speed at which clothes are designed, produced, distributed, and marketed. Nowadays, there are many brands that rapidly produce garments, some of which are Shein, Zara, H&M and Forever 21, etc.

More specifically, Shein is the most popular brand now, known for its fast fashion. The cruel truth was revealed, giving away the fact that the company's workers are paid only up to 4 cents for their 18-hour shift, from which they are only allowed one day off per month. Additionally, it was witnessed and later reported on the news that Shein workers wash their hair during their lunch breaks, because they have no time after work.

Fast fashion causes a range of problems for the environment.

According to research, the production of fashion pieces comprises 10% of total global carbon emissions. While 85% of all textiles end up in landfills each year, it dries up water sources and pollutes rivers and streams. An annual total of 500,000 tons of macrofibres, or 50 billion plastic bottles, are released into the ocean by the simple act of washing garments.

Moreover, according to the UN Environment Programme (UNEP), the fashion industry consumes an excessive amount of water, marking it in second place, while being responsible for about 10% of global carbon emissions.

To sum up, fast fashion's environmental impacts are significant and concerning. Urgent action is necessary, including consumer awareness, industry responsibility and the promotion of sustainable alternatives, to mitigate these detrimental effects.

Daphne Lindhé

CRISIS IN GA3 DESERVES AN OSCAR!

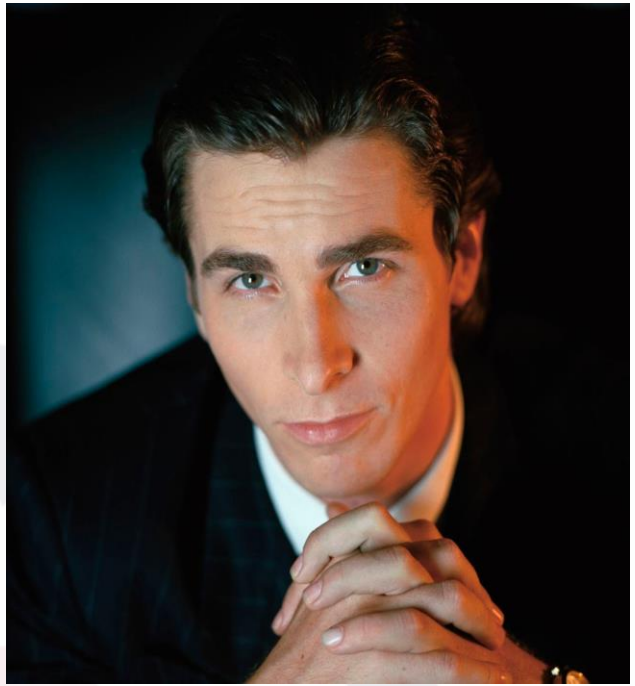


A deadly virus called "NATHA03" started in China and has spread all over the world. People are dying everyday and it has impacted the lives of citizens in all countries. This humanitarian crisis needs to be overcome quickly however, bureaucratic processes make the delivery of aid to countries ineffective. The social, cultural and humanitarian committee needed to come up with ways to overcome these bureaucratic challenges and deliver aid to all countries in order to eliminate the spread of the virus.

BEST DRESSED



LOOKALIKES



SHIPS



BEST COUPLE



BEST DUOS



LOVE IS FLOURISHING IN ACGMUN..

Camera man is
cute

GAG is
proud to have
the best looking chairs

Pierce



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Conference

The boy photographer with
the curly hair is
so cute ♡ insta please ???

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Does the
blondie from
GAG have
snapchat?

S.....

-to George
Wardle (on)

Delegate in GAG with short
curly hair and sharp clothing
is really cute!!
Give me a call
boy ♡ ♡

The co-chair of the GAG
is a 10/10 😊 (Leandros)

♡ ♡
Finn from
♡ GAG ♡ ♡



**THE DEVIL WORKS HARD.. BUT
THE 7TH ACGMUN
CONFERENCE'S PRESS WORKS
HARDER!**



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