

## **ENFIN LIBRES: TUNISIA'S JASMINE REVOLUTION, 2011**

Marhaba, bienvenue, and welcome to Tunisia. The year is 2011, the dictatorial regime of Ben Ali has just fallen, and it is up to the provisional government headed by Hamadi Jebali to determine the direction of our Maghrebin state. Most importantly, you'll be tasked with creating a new Constitution, which must respond to the numerous challenges and the ideological diversity of the country. Whether it be workers seeking to combat unemployment, a power vacuum giving rise to salafist movements, or a hostile neighbor, your Constitution and your cabinet will face many an existential crisis. As the first (and only) Arab Spring movement to be successful, it is not only the eyes of your populace that will be on you, but also those of your Arab neighbors and those of the entire world. If you succeed and successfully continue our democratic transition while facing the numerous challenges facing the country, you will usher in a new age of democracy that has been lacking in the Maghreb. If you fail, you will shatter the expectations that the world has of you and end any hopes of a democratic Tunisia. With that said, bil tawfiq, bon courage, and good luck!

\*\*This committee is a hybrid committee, thus it will contain both GA and crisis elements. More details will be provided in the background quide. Please reach out to the Director of Delegate Affairs with any questions.



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Matt Maxson is a fourth-year at the University of Chicago, theoretically double-majoring in History and Latin American Studies. Last year was his second in ChoMUN, and he returns this year after serving as a CD on Long Live the Shah: The Court of Shahanshah Khosrow II and as an AC on the Shah's side of JCC: From Tehran with Love: The Iranian Revolution, 1977. Outside of ChoMUN, he loves sports, especially baseball, politics, playing 2k and FIFA, and arguing with Ashton and Shravan about their objectively incorrect opinions on politics and sports. Elsewhere on campus, he is a project leader at the Paul Douglas Institute, a student-run public policy research organization, where he specializes in studying elementary education and language acquisition. If you have any questions about the committee, feel free to email him at mattmaxson@uchicago.edu!



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## CRISIS DIRECTOR

Shravan Ravishankar is a fourth-year at UChicago, double-majoring in Political Science and Economics. He hails from Louisville, Kentucky, and is returning to ChoMUN after serving as an Assistant Chair for The Roaring Tigers: Tamil Students League of 1971, Crisis Director for JCC: From Tehran with Love: The Iranian Revolution, 1977, and Crisis Director for Long Live the Shah: The Court of Shahanshah Khosrow II (your spelling may vary). Shravan is very passionate about Model UN and is a prolific background guide writer. Outside of ChoMUN, he loves working at CPOST as well as playing Ultimate, FIFA, and 2K and he closely follows the NBA. He is usually happy to talk about politics of any sort, and he is always happy to talk about how the Warriors have ruined basketball. He is excited to be working with Ashton and Matt to bring to life this committee and explore one of the most dynamic periods in modern Middle Eastern history. Feel free to reach out to Shravan at sravishankar@uchicago.edu if you have any questions about this committee.

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