



IT'S GOOD TO HAVE GOALS: FIFA 1986

Kicking and screaming is the best way to describe how the Fédération Internationale de Football Association responded to the call from Ellen Willie to invest more in women's football. In wake of most countries dropping their ban on women's soccer in the 1970s, the game has seen steady growth, and now FIFA must decide if it will be at the forefront of building the game internationally. This committee will operate as a special meeting of FIFA member nations after Willie's speech to determine how the organization aid in the development of women's football. A period of rapid growth and change for the organization, the Federation must decide what it's commitment to women will be and how it can shape global sports.

At ChoMUN you be asked to create a document outlining how FIFA will actively promote women's soccer in addition to contending with issues such as the growing regulatory nature of the organization, how to enhance the commercial value of the game, and what internal reform needs to occur within the organization to level the playing field. In 2021 women's football is acknowledged as one of the most competitive sports in the world, however it is easy to point out the gaps between the treatment of men and women in the game-in this committee delegates have a chance to go back in time an attempt to resolve these issues at their roots.

BACKGROUND GUIDE

DEBBIE ADEWALE

CHAIR

Debbie Adewale (she, her, hers) is a third-year double majoring in Biology and Public Policy. She hails from Spokane, Washington, which is the home of HoopFest, one of the largest 3 on 3 basketball tournaments in the world (sadly, like most other US states, their soccer team is absolutely underwhelming). She has previously been the CD of To Strike a Woman is to Strike a Rock (the name is appropriate since it is advisable not to get on her bad side) and an AC on Bayan Ko! Cabinet of Corazon Aquino at previous ChoMUNs. She is also the vice-president of UChicago's Model UN team, making her a force to be reckoned with as a chair and delegate. In her (seldomly occurring) free time, she is on the Peer Health exchange, the Emergency Fund and researches Single Cell RNA sequencing in a lab. Do not upset her during committee because she can cry on command! If you have any questions feel free to email her at adewaled@uchicago.edu.

JOANNA ZHANG

CHAIR

Joanna (she, her, hers) is a third year in college majoring in Economics with a minor in visual arts, but she considers her primary field of study to be straight vibing. Because she has more friends than Debbie and Aryan, ChoMUN is the only Model UN Joanna is involved in. However, you can catch her advocating for refugees with the Partnership for the Advancement of Refugee Rights, shutting down whiny finance boys in Phoenix Funds, or in the admission office giving tours (sometimes even with Firouz *gasp*). After having served as a chair for JCC: Don't Trust Us: Progressives in the Baron Wasteland at ChoMUN XXXIII and an assistant chair on Getting Our Just Deserts: Polisario Front at ChoMUN XXXII, she is excited to put her leg warmers on and jazzercise into the 80s. Joanna is unbelievably excited to meet each one of you, and as long as no one insults lemon sorbet, she is sure that the weekend will be incredible. If you have any questions feel free to email her at joannarzhang@uchicago.edu.

ARYAN KUMAR

MODERATOR

In his dreams, Aryan Kumar is a second-year Economics major specializing in Data Science. In real life, Aryan Kumar is still a second-year Economics major specializing in Data Science. His pronouns are he/him/his and he is originally from Mumbai, India. International student that he is, he's basically Mr. Worldwide because Aryan can speak 6 different languages! And apparently, Aryan's idea of fun is being involved in as many MUN organizations at UChicago as possible. In addition to competing on the traveling MUN Team, Aryan was an Assistant Chair for the Akkadian Empire at ChoMUN XXIII. Even though it didn't end up happening in real life, in his dreams he was a great AC. Now, Aryan is incredibly excited to return to ChoMUN as the moderator for [OUR COMMITTEE NAME!!!] because his favourite sport is soccer - how fitting. If you have any questions feel free to email him at aryankumar@uchicago.edu.

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