



YOU SHALL NOT PASS: ADMIRAL KEUMALAHAYATI AND THE INONG BALEE ARMADA

Guardian of Malacca Strait, leader of the Inong Balee, and the first female admiral in modern history, Malahayati sounds more like a myth than a real person, but the greatest legends come from history and not fiction. While few know who Admiral Keumalahayati was, she still left a lasting impression on history and changed its course forever. This was a woman who single-handedly drove the Dutch out of her country, who killed their leader personally, and who was so renowned across the globe that even Queen Elizabeth I was afraid of her. In this committee, you will have the chance to simulate the legendary armada of Malahayati, one of history's strongest women and greatest military leaders. You will join her army, comprised completely of widows, and fight the world's greatest powers all while trying to hold your ground as women in the internal politics of Aceh and conquer the rest of Sumatra for your sultan. Whether the Inong Balee sinks or sails, it's in your hands.



MAHA KHAN
CHAIR

Maha Khan is a second year majoring in economics and pursuing the pre-med track. Maha was born and raised in New Jersey, and she currently resides in Manalapan, NJ.

Last year, Maha was an AC for Bayan Ko: The Rebirth of Philippine Democracy under President Corazon Aquino, 1986 at ChoMUN XXII. She loves learning about trailblazing women in history and promoting women's education. In addition, Maha enjoys learning about human rights history as well as current world issues and hopes she can fit in a Human Rights minor as well.

Aside from ChoMUN and the UChicago Model UN Team, Maha is very involved in UChicago's Pre-Med Students Association, MEDLIFE, Amnesty International, and Oeconomica. She has enjoyed volunteering at the children's hospital since high school and continues to volunteer at UChicago Medicine's Comer Children's Hospital. In her free time, Maha loves keeping up with fashion and make up trends as well as listening to her long time favorite artist Lana del Rey.

Maha is very excited to be a chair for this committee. If you have any questions or recommendations for anything, do not hesitate to reach Maha at mikhan@uchicago.edu.



NICOLE ARELLANO
CRISIS DIRECTOR

Nicole is a second year at the University of Chicago majoring in psychology and pursuing the pre-med track. She grew up in Connecticut (not Greenwich) but also had a three-year stint in Qatar.

At ChoMUN XXII, Nicole was an Assistant Chair for If At First You Don't Succeed: The Cabinet of Fernando Belaúnde, 1980. She is excited to be a Crisis Director for Admiral Keumalahayati and the Inong Balee Armada and learn more about one of the most savage women in history besides those on this committee.

Outside of MUN, Nicole serves as a Recruitment Chair for her sorority, Pi Beta Phi, and does typical pre-med things, like being a Clinical Excellence Scholar and researching molecular targets in myeloproliferative neoplasms (say that five times fast). You can often find her eating a gluten-free garbage pizza from Medici on 57th, in bed, trying to find new music, or any combination of the three.

Nicole is pumped to be working alongside Maha and Elizabeth this year. If you have any questions, music recs, gluten-free recipes, or want to have a conversation with the most talkative person on this committee, reach out at nicolarellano@uchicago.edu



ELIZABETH MANSFIELD
CRISIS DIRECTOR

Elizabeth is a fourth year majoring in psychology and creative writing because she wanted the best of both worlds or something. She has spent most of her life in Colorado and is more than happy to tell you how it's the best state and every other state is just a shittier version of Colorado.

This is her fourth and final year in ChoMUN, and she hopes to go out with a bang (so be prepared). She was a USG at ChoMUN XXII and a crisis director for ¡Vivan las Mariposas! The Fall of Trujillo, 1959 at ChoMUN XXI. She loves throwing her delegates for a loop, so be prepared for anything.

Outside of ChoMUN, Elizabeth is a member of UChicago's high school Model UN conference MUNUC, where she crisis directs a hybrid committee on the Paris Climate Accords. She is also a sister of Pi Beta Phi and is probably the least sraty person to ever be in a sorority. Her real passion, though, is creative writing, and she is in the process of writing her fourth novel. She also enjoys music you've never heard of (see the part where she is from Colorado and probably hipster trash), reading fantasy novels (see the title of this committee), and hanging out with her MUN family (see the part where she has no other friends). In summary, she is aggressively UChicago.

Elizabeth can't wait for the plethora of Lord of the Rings references at conference, and if you have any questions, book recommendations, or also love Colorado, you can reach her at ebmansfield@uchicago.edu. If you don't love Colorado, don't bother reaching out.

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