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Foreword

The 2004-2005 high school debate topic is: "Resolved: That the United States federal government should establish a foreign policy substantially increasing its support of United Nations peacekeeping operations."

In compliance with 44 U.S.C. Section 1333, the Congressional Research Service (CRS) of the Library of Congress prepared this bibliography to assist high school debaters in researching the topic. This bibliography is intended to assist debaters in the identification of further references and resources on the topic. In selecting items and websites for this manual, CRS has sampled a wide spectrum of opinions reflected in the current literature on this issue. No preference for any policy is indicated by the selection or positioning of articles or websites cited, nor is CRS disapproval of any policy or article to be inferred from its omission.

Some of the U.S. government documents listed in this bibliography may be found in U.S. government depository libraries, which can be identified by local public or college libraries. The Library of Congress cannot distribute copies of these or other materials to debaters. This manual is also available on the GPO Access Home Page on the World Wide Web at http://www.access.gpo.gov.

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Good luck to each debater in researching, preparing and presenting arguments on this year's topic.

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Introduction

The 2004-2005 high school debate topic is: "Resolved: That the United States federal government should establish a foreign policy substantially increasing its support of United Nations peacekeeping operations."

This selective bibliography is intended to assist debaters to identify resources and references on the debate topic. It lists citations to books, congressional publications, magazine and journal articles, and websites on the Internet. The manual is divided into eight subtopics: general, United Nations (UN) peacekeeping operations (which includes discussions of specific UN operations), U.S. foreign policy, human rights, international military forces, peacekeeping, international conflict resolution, and humanitarian assistance. Debaters may look for these and related resources at their local high school, research, government depository, and public libraries.

Summary

The purpose of the debate manual is to provide students with a brief overview of information concerning the 2004-2005 high school debate topic "Resolved: That the United States Federal Government Should Establish a Foreign Policy Substantially Increasing its Support of United Nations Peacekeeping Operations."

This bibliography includes citations to books, congressional publications, and magazine and journal articles. This compilation is not intended to supply complete coverage of the topic. Further research on the topic resources in general, as well as each suggested subtopic, can be done at high school, research, depository, and public libraries.

International organizations, U.S. Government agencies, private think tanks, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) provide information on topics related to international peacekeeping and other topics on their websites. Debaters are encouraged to consult the internet as well as library resources for their research on this debate topic.

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