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LETTER from the UNDER-SECRETARIES-GENERAL

"Most distinguished members of the U.S. National Security Council,

It is our utmost pleasure to welcome you all to the 2nd annual session of Çağaloğlu Model United Nations Conference. We, on behalf of the CALMUN Secretariat, would like to express our deep enthusiasm in regards to this year's session. So as to establish a rather sincere environment for the Council of ours; firstly, we would like to introduce ourselves. Our names are Nur Ayça Demir and İdil Lopez, we are currently juniors in Kadıköy Anadolu Lisesi, we have been attending Model United Nations conferences since 2013 and this year, we are serving as President of the General Assembly and Secretary-General in Kadıköy Anadolu Lisesi Model United Nations Conference 2017.

This year in CALMUN Conference, we'd be reiterating one of the most successful committees from the last year's conference that we are trying to have as a CALMUN tradition. U.S. National Security Council will adopt an open agenda since, as the Secretariat we believe that the members of the Council will be highly experienced and be open to be further challenged academically. Hence; as the Secretariat and our honorable Crisis Team, we will be creating deliberate and ingenious crises to have you attain the most fruitful debate possible. In order to make this conference a memorable one for you, we would be devoting our uppermost attention and effort to have you enjoy this ultimately unique committee.

In this year's National Security Council, there are critical alterations within the committee. As the U.S. President has been changed from Barack Obama to Donald Trump, meaning that the primary policy that the government will follow is going to be also solemnly changed in accordance with such re-installment. Thus, as the Secretariat, we believe that the members of the Council will be able to adapt themselves into a very unique and unknown nature of Trump's new Presidency as well as creating a fully new foreign affairs and national security policy for the newly elected government. Apart from the fact that the Council as a committee does obtain an open agenda, we highly recommend the Council members as well as the heads of the government to ensure that they comply with Donald Trump's Contract with the American Voter and conclude the Acts or the measures that the Council maintains the capability of enforcing.

Furthermore; we would advise our honorable members to bear in mind that they are distinct experts of their field and shall be highly informed about their specific interests and duties.

In this very study guide, you'd be obtaining a chance to acquire a brief evaluation of the current status of National Security Council and Donald Trump's Presidency as well as the relevant documents and resources for further reading. You are highly encouraged not to refrain from conducting an extensive research with the basis of this very guide.

Please do bear in mind that you are more than welcome to contact either of us via nuraycademir@gmail.com and iyazan99@gmail.com."



COMMITTEE INTRODUCTION

United States National Security Council is a body of the Executive Office of the President of the United States that is assigned to be responsible for advising and assisting the Presidency on the matters concerning national security and foreign affairs. The Council is to be headed by the current President and the Vice-President of the United States of America; namely, Donald Trump and Mike Pence. The Council is comprised of senior national security advisors and Cabinet officials who are to subjects of being assigned by the respected Presidency.

The Council was established in 1947 via the National Security Act. Through the Act, Department of the War

(now, Department of the Army) and Department of the Navy had been merged into National Military Establishment headed by the Secretary of Defense. Along with various other military reorganizations including the aforementioned procedures, the Act also established the National Security Council and the Central Intelligence Agency. It is vital to fully interpret the scope of the Act so as to further understand the overall scope of the Council as well as its capabilities and rights.

Under the Obama administration, the Council was merged with Homeland Security Council in 2009. As of January 2017, with the election of Donald Trump, the Council is subject to changes of various points of consideration. The Trump Presidency has altered and restructured the Principals Committee via inviting the current White House Chief Strategist, Steve Bannon as a permanent member of the Committee alongside with altering the attendance conditions of the Director of National Intelligence and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to having them present in the Committee meetings in the cases where there is a specific need for their area of expertise arises. Yet the aforementioned alteration is not of a prohibitory or a restrictive kind since Chief of Staff, Reince Priebus has directly clarified that both of the entities are more than welcome to attend the meetings but only crucially expected to be present in a crisis situation concerning their part.

The United States National Security Council has not formally published their objectives under the Trump administration and it should be emphasized that generally, the Council only organizes a meeting when a grave crisis arises apart from the Council's pre-scheduled meetings. Hence in this year's session of Çağaloğlu Model United Nations Conference, the respected delegates will be solely challenged by hypothetical crises meanwhile the Council as a committee will adopt an open agenda so as for the delegates to be able to react to any and all crises without restraining so into one specific event.

GENERAL OVERVIEW



Apart from the adaptability of the Council into any occasion, it is vital to contemplate what the current National Security Council or more generally President Trump obtains as an objective or a plan of action of a kind.

Before being elected, the President signed the 100 Days Contract with the Voter in which Donald Trump formally declares that he will pursue the following actions to restore honesty and accountability, and bring change to Washington in the very first 100 days of his anticipated Presidency:

Donald Trump's Contract with the American Voter^[1]

Six measures to clean up the corruption and special interest collusion in Washington, DC:

1. Proposition of a constitutional amendment to impose term limits on all members of Congress
2. A hiring freeze on all federal employees to reduce the federal workforce through attrition (exempting military, public safety, and public health)
3. A requirement that for every new federal regulation two existing regulations must be eliminated
4. A five-year ban on White House and Congressional officials becoming lobbyists after they leave government service
5. A lifetime ban on White House officials lobbying on behalf of a foreign government
6. A complete ban on foreign lobbyists raising money for American elections

Seven actions to protect American workers:

1. Announcing President Trump's intention to renegotiate NAFTA or withdraw from the deal under Article 2205
2. Announcing U.S. Government's withdrawal from the Trans-Pacific Partnership
3. Directing the Secretary of the Treasury to label China a currency manipulator

- Directing the Secretary of Commerce and U.S. Trade Representative to identify all foreign trading abuses that unfairly impact American workers and direct them to use every tool under American and international law to end those abuses immediately

[1]: The following text is a direct excerpt from Donald J. Trump's Contract with the American Voter, [Donald Trump's Contract with the American Voter 2017](#)

- Lifting the restrictions on the production of \$50 trillion dollars' worth of job-producing American energy reserves, including shale, oil, natural gas and clean coal
- Lifting the Obama-Clinton roadblocks and allow vital energy infrastructure projects, like the Keystone Pipeline, to move forward
- Cancelling billions in payments to U.N. climate change programs and use the money to fix America's water and environmental infrastructure

Five actions to restore security and the constitutional rule of law:

- Cancelling every unconstitutional executive action, memorandum and order issued by President Obama.
- Beginning the process of selecting a replacement for Justice Scalia from one of the 20 judges on the President Trump's list, who will uphold and defend the U.S. Constitution.
- Cancelling all federal funding to sanctuary cities
- Beginning to remove the more than two million criminal illegal immigrants from the country and cancel visas to foreign countries that won't take them back.
- Suspending immigration from terror-prone regions where vetting cannot safely occur. All vetting of people coming into U.S. will be considered "extreme vetting."



Middle Class Tax Relief and Simplification Act

"An economic plan designed to grow the economy 4% per year and create at least 25 million new jobs through massive tax reduction and simplification, in combination with trade reform, regulatory relief and lifting the restrictions on American energy. The largest tax reductions are for the middle class. A middle-class family with two children will get a 35% tax cut. The current number of brackets will be reduced from seven to three, and tax forms will likewise be greatly simplified. The business rate will be lowered from 35% to 15%, and the trillions of dollars of American corporate money overseas can now be brought back at a 10% rate."

End the Offshoring Act

"Establishes tariffs to discourage companies from laying off their workers in order to relocate in other countries and ship their products back to the U.S. tax-free."

American Energy and Infrastructure Act

"Leverages public-private partnerships, and private investments through tax incentives, to spur \$1 trillion in infrastructure investment over ten years. It is revenue neutral."

School Choice and Education Opportunity Act

"Redirects education dollars to give parents the right to send their kid to the public, private, charter, magnet, religious or home school of their choice. Ends Common Core and brings education supervision to local communities. It expands vocational and technical education, and makes two- and four-year college more affordable."

Repeal and Replace Obamacare Act

"Fully repeals Obamacare and replaces it with Health Savings Accounts, the ability to purchase health insurance across state lines and lets states manage Medicaid funds. Reforms will also include cutting the red tape at the FDA: there are over 4,000 drugs awaiting approval, and we especially want to speed the approval of life-saving medications."

Affordable Childcare and Eldercare Act

"Allows Americans to deduct childcare and eldercare from their taxes, incentivizes employers to provide on-site childcare services and creates tax-free dependent care savings accounts for both young and elderly dependents, with matching contributions for low-income families."

End Illegal Immigration Act

"Fully-funds the construction of a wall on our southern border with the full understanding that the country of Mexico will be reimbursing the United States for the full cost of such wall; establishes a two-year mandatory minimum federal prison sentence for illegally re-entering the U.S. after a previous deportation, and a five-year mandatory minimum federal prison sentence for illegally re-entering for those with felony convictions, multiple misdemeanor convictions or two or more prior deportations; also reforms visa rules to enhance penalties for overstaying and to ensure open jobs are offered to American workers first."

Restoring Community Safety Act

"Reduces surging crime, drugs and violence by creating a task force on violent crime and increasing funding for programs that train and assist local police; increases resources for federal law enforcement agencies and federal prosecutors to dismantle criminal gangs and put violent offenders behind bars."

Restoring National Security Act

"Rebuilds our military by eliminating the defense sequester and expanding military investment;

provides veterans with the ability to receive public VA treatment or attend the private doctor of their choice; protects our vital infrastructure from cyber-attack; establishes new screening procedures for immigration to ensure those who are admitted to our country support our people and our values."

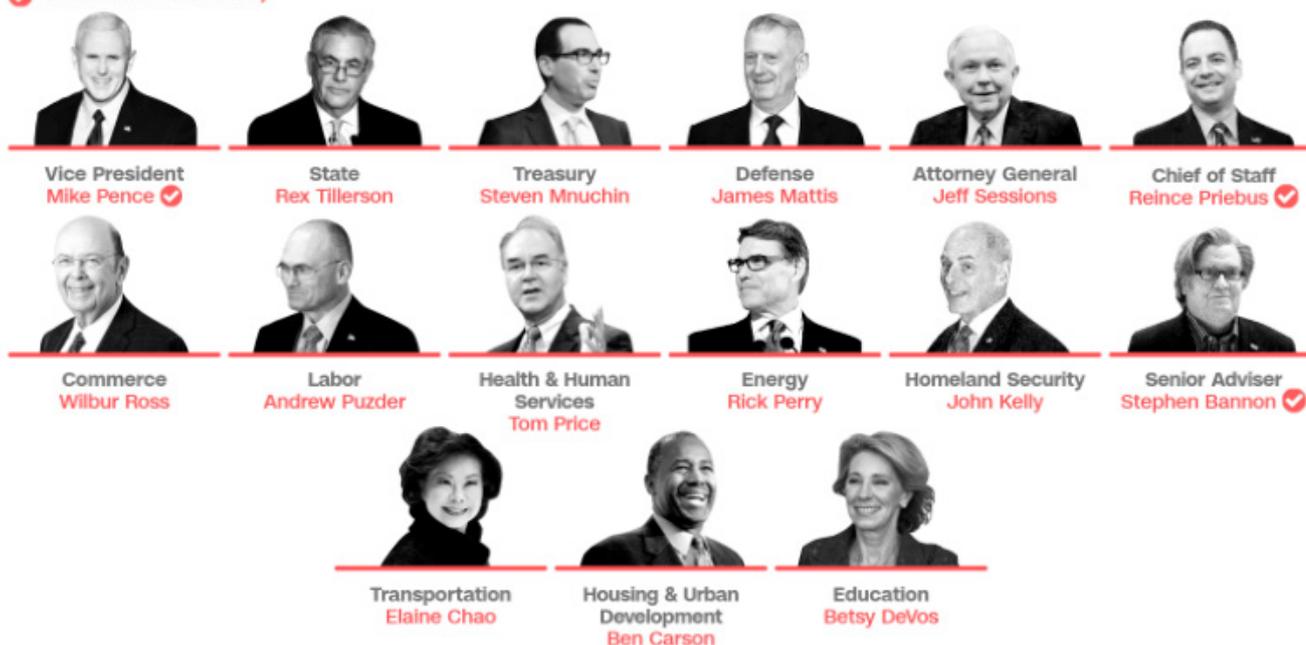
Clean Up Corruption in Washington Act

"Enacts new ethics reforms to drain the swamp and reduce the corrupting influence of special interests on our politics."

As thoroughly shown above, the first 100 days of Trump in office are planned to be devoted to attain the abovementioned objectives and commence the legal process on adopting or eliminating the Acts that are previously mentioned.

Moreover, so as to finalize the General Overview section; it would be beneficial to further obtain the general information in regards to

✔ No confirmation necessary



MEMBERS of the U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

The chart that is situated below is for a brief explanation on the structure of the National Security Council concerning its members

CHAIRPERSON	<i>President of the United States</i> Donald J. Trump
STATUTORY ATTENDEES	<i>Vice President of the United States</i> Michael R. Pence <i>Secretary of State</i> Rex W. Tillerson <i>Secretary of Defense</i> James Mattis <i>Secretary of Energy</i> James Richard Perry
MILITARY ADVISER	<i>Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (imper-</i> <i>manent)</i> Joseph Dunford
INTELLIGENCE ADVISER	<i>Director of National Intelligence (imperma-</i> <i>ment) designated member of the current Pres-</i> ident Daniel Coats
DRUG POLICY ADVISER	<i>Director of National Drug Control Policy</i> has not been designated by the Presidency
REGULAR ATTENDEES	<i>National Security Advisor</i> H. R. McMaster <i>Deputy National Security Adviser</i> K. T. McFarland <i>Attorney General</i> Jeff Sessions <i>White House Chief of Staff</i> Reince Priebus <i>White House Chief Strategist</i> Steve Bannon

ADDITIONAL PARTICIPANTS	<i>Secretary of the Treasury</i>
	Steven T. Mnuchin
	<i>Secretary of Homeland Security</i>
	John F. Kelly
	<i>White House Counsel</i>
	Don McGahn
	<i>Assistant to the President for Economic Policy</i>
	Gary D. Cohn
	<i>Ambassador to the United Nations</i>
	Nikki R. Haley
<i>Director of Office of Management and Budget</i>	
Mick Mulvaney	
<i>Homeland Security Adviser</i>	
Tom Bossert	

FURTHER READING

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- National Counter-Terrorism Center:
<https://www.nctc.gov/>
- U.S. designated Foreign Terrorist Organizations (FTOs):
<https://www.state.gov/j/ct/rls/other/des/123085.html>
- Donald Trump's Contract with the American Voter:
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