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| Preambulatory and Operative Clauses |

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| Preambulatory Clauses  The preamble of a draft resolution states the reasons for which the committee is addressing the topic and highlights past international action on the issue. Each clause begins with a present participle (called a preambulatory phrase) and ends with a comma. Preambulatory clauses can include:   * References to the UN Charter; * Citations of past UN resolutions or treaties on the topic under discussion; * Mentions of statements made by the Secretary-General or a relevant UN body or agency; * Recognition of the efforts of regional or nongovernmental organizations in dealing with the issue; and * General statements on the topic, its significance and its impact.   Sample Preambulatory Phrases   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Accepts Affirms Approves Authorizes Calls Calls upon Condemns Confirms Congratulates Considers Declares accordingly Deplores Designates Draws the attention Emphasizes | Encourages Endorses Expresses its appreciation Expresses its hope Further invites Deplores Designates Draws the attention Emphasizes Encourages Endorses Expresses its appreciation Expresses its hope Further invites Further proclaims Further reminds | Further recommends Further requests Further resolves Has resolved Notes Proclaims Reaffirms Recommends Regrets Reminds Requests Solemnly affirms Strongly condemns Supports Takes note of Transmits Trusts | |