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Dear delegates,

Welcome to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. We, Sofia, Ivanna, and María Inés, have been selected to perform as the Academic Chair of this committee during this sixteenth edition of SIMUN. We are incredibly excited to share this experience with all of you, and we assure you that we will do everything in our power to guarantee that the time you spend at SIMUN 2025 becomes unforgettable.

We believe that our committee should be a safe space for every delegate, as we consider this to be one of the most important aspects of any Model UN. Actually, over the past few years, we have had the privilege of participating in several Models, and we know from first-hand experience that the people you meet, the friendships you make, and every moment you spend interacting with your partners in session will have a lasting positive impact. Therefore, we have high expectations regarding your involvement on the committee, but more than anything, we hope you address it as an opportunity for both academic and personal growth.

Moreover, in today's world, constant change is expected, and it is our responsibility as young people to adapt and evolve with it. We must seek new methods, embracing both emerging technologies and the ideals of our generation, to come up with strategies that can potentially solve the challenges our world faces, especially regarding drugs and crime.

It is time for us to work together towards the greater good. It is time for us to voice our perspectives and defend them, but also learn to listen and understand what others have to say. It is time for us to make a difference and there is no better place than SIMUN to start getting at it. In this regard, as the great Indian leader and activist Mahatma Gandhi once said, you must be the change you wish to see in the world.

We are honored to share this experience with you and hope you are as excited as we are about it. If you have any questions throughout this process, please feel free to contact us at any of the emails provided above.

Looking forward to meeting you and wishing you all the best,
The Academic Chair of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

