



ELECTIONS (MOAS Rules of Procedure)

Article 79

Elections are conducted by secret ballot, except when authorities of the Model OAS General Assembly or of its committees are elected by acclamation. Elections by acclamation occur when all the delegates vote in favor of the candidate. If there is one delegation against the candidate, the election is by majority. Under no circumstances will the elections be conducted by a roll call vote.

Article 80

In cases when only one person is to be elected and no candidate obtains the vote of the majority of the Member States on the first vote, a second and, if necessary, a third round of votes will be taken. The second round is limited to the two candidates receiving the largest number of votes during the first round.

Article 81

Only registered participants (observers excluded) may be candidates for elective office (Secretary General, President, Committee Chair and Vice Chair) of the Model OAS General Assembly. A candidate must obtain the support of four (4) delegations in addition to his own delegation for the nomination to be valid. Candidates must not have more than five (5) signatures on their nomination form. A country delegation may support only one candidate for each office; however, signing a nominating petition for a candidate does not bind a delegation to vote for that candidate.

Article 82

Only Chiefs of Delegation, at either the university or high school MOAS, may sign nomination forms for President and Secretary General, and they may not support more than one candidate for each office.

For the University MOAS, the delegates representing each country can sign only one nomination form each for the Chair and Vice Chair of their respective committee.

For the High School MOAS, only the Head Delegates (not the Alternates) of each committee may sign nomination forms for the Chair and the Vice Chair positions. They may not sign more than one nomination form for each position.

Article 83

Candidates are allowed to make a three (3) minute presentation about their qualifications for the position for which they are running.

Article 84

Elected authorities may not run for the same office at the following session of the Model OAS General Assembly.

Article 85

The candidates for all offices must have a thorough knowledge of the MOAS Rules of Procedures and must make a commitment to attend the following session of the Model OAS General Assembly.