

8 Students from Gymnasium Meiendorf had one big mission in May: MUNOL 2011!

It was a MUNOLicious week, like the Vice-Secretary General, Thorben Strähle, pointed out at the Welcome ceremony “I feel that it’s time for MUNOL again!” 371 students from 9 countries are waiting in the Kolosseum on Tuesday, waiting for the words of Niko Plennis, this year’s President of the General Assembly, waiting for him to say: “MUNOL 2011 has officially started.” Later on in the day we were entering the Thomas-Mann-Schule and we didn’t just step through a door, we stepped into another world, the world of MUNOL.

The second conference day started with LOBBYing, which meant for the delegates: comparing ideas, writing resolutions and convincing other people of these ideas. As for the chairs.....well, it was a very productive time! We were preparing ourselves for questions the delegates could have, organizing the committee/commission staff and last but not least ensuring that we had enough SWEETS.

On Thursday our debates started, everyone was trying to stay concentrated the whole day, even if it wasn’t easy sometimes. But we managed it, many resolution passed in the committees, some failed. However we had a lot of fruitful and SWEET-full debates. Before the General Assembly we still had one MUNOLicious thing to do, the MUNOL-FLASHMOB.



On the next day was the General Assembly, during which six Committees discussed about illegal trade in small arms and light weapons, the support and amelioration of the international trade, how to improve the lives of slum dwellers, the occupied Syrian Golan, the financing of the United Nations Stabilizations Mission in Haiti and the consideration of legal possibilities to combat international terrorism.

After hours of debates, discussions and speeches the General Assembly was over. And our MUNOL time was going to end. Just the Closing ceremony was left, heart-warming speeches, thank you’s and good bye’s. MUNOL was over, which was sad, but it also means next year’s conference is coming. And we are all looking forward to MUNOL 2012! :)



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