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The nine member United Nations Youth and Students Association Bangladesh delegation headed by myself was a representative group of students all selected for their volunteer work in various United Nations and associated events. The group included myself, of London College of Legal Studies, Nafiz Imitiaz of Dhaka University, Nader Rahman, Adnan Khandker, Shehrina Kamal and Farah Ahmed of North South University, Saharnaz Faruk of American International University Bangladesh and Nusrat Matin and Ziyad Nazem of East West University. The delegates represented Philippines in Disarmament and International Security Council (DISEC), Human Right Council (HRC), the Economic and Social Commission of the Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) and ASEAN, Jordan in DISEC and HRC and Sri lanka in ESCAP. Each committee had two topics on which to deliberate and pass resolutions on. The topics ranged from women's education and immigrant rights, to oil and gas exploitation and even the illicit sale of small arms. In DISEC Bangladesh had its maximum number of members, that is three and in the remaining committees there were two members each.

Over the four day conference everything from shock, anxiety, stress and finally euphoria would be experienced by the team. The before the grand opening ceremony the team had the opportunity to gift the deputy Principal of Peking university with a small token of Bangladeshi culture. A high for the team was being in conversation with four special guests each of them ex-permanent representatives to the UN from China and eminent diplomats of the Chinese Foreign Service. All of them spoke at the opening ceremony and spoke eloquently appealing to the large Chinese speaking audience and the English speaking audience as well. Early set backs and unfortunate circumstances would see the team miss the first day's sessions and part of the second day's session. Shortly after the opening ceremony as one of the members of the delegation had to be rushed to emergency room and entire team spent a good deal of time helping him recover.

