Writing an Amendment
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Example 1)
Subject of Resolution To Be Amended: Additions to Permanent Members of the Security Council
Date: March 31, 2010

1. Change Operative Clause 2 to Read:
<u>Requests</u> the addition of a South American nation to the five current permanent members of the Security Council,
      a. This nation to be suggested to the General Assembly by the Rio Group,
      b. The General Assembly to vote on whether or not to accept this nomination;

2. Add Operative Clause 5:
<u>Recommends</u> that all nominations be party to the Mine Ban Treaty.

Example 2)
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1. Strike Operative Clause 3.
2. Renumber accordingly.

Things to Remember:

- Always number your changes so the chair and body know how many changes are being made. In both of the above examples, 2 changes are being made.
- Always denote exactly which operative clause your change applies to
- To change the text of a clause, use the phrase: "Change Operative Clause (insert number) to Read:"
    - Then write out the full text of that clause, exactly how you want it to appear in the resolution
- To create a new clause, use the phrase: "Add Operative Clause (insert number):"
    - Then write out the full text of your new clause, exactly how you want it to appear in the resolution
- To remove a clause, use the phrase: "Strike Operative Clause (insert number)."
- When your changes mess up the numbering of a resolution, add the final change of "Renumber Accordingly."
- You can amend a resolution as many times as you want in committee, and need 2 cosponsors
- You can only amend a resolution 3 times in General Assembly, and need 5 cosponsors
- Preambulatory phrases cannot be amended