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VIENNA INTERNATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS

Nation Guide

Nation Guide (Checklist): Getting to know the basics of the country you represent

Official country name _____

Government system _____

Head of state _____

Official language(s) _____

Allies/blocs _____

Major religions _____

Major cities _____

Climate _____

Ports/waterways _____

Infrastructure status _____

Population _____

UN dues payment status _____

Environmental stance; e.g. problems, innovations _____

Standard of living /UNDP annual report) _____

Development status _____

UN Peacekeeping role (Blue Helmets) _____

Has the UN ever had to intervene in any conflict involving this nation?
If so, where and what were the circumstances? _____

Has the UN ever cited this country for Human Rights violations? If so, what were the circumstances? _____

What are the four problems/threats that currently seem to affect this nation? _____

Ethnic/ cultural issues _____

Refugee problems _____

Trade blocs/associations _____

Balance of payment/trade _____

Military organization _____

Military expenditure (% spent on defense) _____

Major weapons, arsenal, nuclear capabilities etc _____

% of GNP spent on Overseas Development Aid _____

Economic system _____

Major exports/imports _____

Major trade partners _____

IMF, WB, GATT positions (debtor or donor nation) _____

Agricultural products _____

Industries _____

National resources _____

Energy resources (type and origin) _____

Major conflicts past and present _____

Date admitted to the UN _____

Based on your research, what do you feel is at the heart of this nation's identity?

Try to find at least one recent article that is about or makes reference to this nation (preferably from the last two weeks)