**Own Nation: Presentation to the “UN”**

Cover Page:

* nation’s name
* flag
* motto (under flag)
* Names of group members, class period, date (MLA format)

First Section: National FAQ

* Ethical Foundation: “We, the leaders of (name of nation) believe…” (state personal ethics of leaders, including religious influence, if any).
* Declaration of Independence
* Form of Gov. and how this aligns with your ethical foundation are reasons for creating your own nations in your Dec. of Inde. (brief, more details later)
* History of nation:
	+ Where your nation is located
	+ resources available
	+ population (native and anyone coming in with you)
	+ how you acquired the land and right to govern
	+ status of the natives after you gain control
* National Anthem (play it!) including lyrics and meaning
* National emblem/symbols/animal, explanation for flag, etc.
* Monetary system (Using the Euro or the dollar, or…..?) Do you use money or barter?

Second Section: Domestic Policy, The Specifics

* Government: describe the political structure and how your nation is run (Centralized? Districts? Local? Anarchy?) and how the transition of power is determined (Elections? Appointment? Heredity?) and what that “looks like”. Are rulers paid? How? What services does the gov. provide?
* Citizenship & rights: WHO are your citizens? What about the natives (prior to take over)? How do people become citizens after your initial take over (born there counts? Must apply?)? What is your immigration policy and reasons for it (place can sustain only so many, etc). What rights to citizens have, if any?
* Economy: What do your people DO for a living? What industries are in your nation? Taxes (any? Income? Flat tax or % of income?). Labor laws? Hourly wage?
* Religion: State religion? ANY religion? How tolerant of other religions? All/some?
* Societal structure: is there a caste system or are all equal? How is “class” determined (money, heredity, education, job)?
* Education: Who? For how long? Compulsory or voluntary? Free? What type of education? Describe.
* Marriage/Sex/Children: What’s your marriage policy (monogamous/poly)? What about divorce? Are there rules about sexuality (heterosexuality/homosexuality, age of consent, adultery, etc)? Are children “property” or do they have the same rights as adults, or something in between?

Third Section: Alliances, Trade, and Foreign Policy

* Who is around you? Who was a traditional enemy prior to your take over? Traditional allies? Which of these will continue in those roles, or will they change with your taking power? Why?
* Who are your current allies and enemies? Why? (this is political/military, trade is different).
* What do you produce, beyond the basic needs of your own people, you can offer to trade? With whom will you trade and what will you trade FOR that your people need/want? (yes, you can still trade with “enemies”—the US trades w/N. Korea all the time!) If you cannot trade, how will you acquire the things you don’t produce and your people want/need? Where will the money come from?
* Describe your military and it’s function within your nation. Conscript or volunteer? Term of enlistment? Standing military or militia? What’s in YOUR arsenal? Defense only or imperialistic? What about domestic use?