

Go to the following websites:

http://www.un.org/en

http://www.un.org/en/sections/what-we-do

https://maps.un.org/how-use-un-maps

#### Answer the following questions:

- 1) When was the United Nations founded?
- 2) What is the purpose of the United Nations?
- 3) How many countries belong to the United Nations?
- 4) Which nations do not belong to the United Nations?
- 5) What does the United Nations do?
- 6) Which countries are members of the United Nations Security Council?
- 7) Where is the International Court of Human Rights based?
- 8) What is the United Nations Economic and Social Council and what does it do?
- 9) Who is the Secretary General of the United Nations?
- 10) Where is the United Nations currently carrying out its peacekeeping operations?

# The United Nations System

#### **UN PRINCIPAL ORGANS**

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY** 

#### **SECURITY** COUNCIL

**ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL** 

**SECRETARIAT** 

**INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE** 

> **TRUSTEESHIP** COUNCIL<sup>6</sup>

#### **Subsidiary Organs**

- · Main Committees
- Disarmament Commission
- Human Rights Council
- · International Law Commission
- Joint Inspection Unit (JIU)
- · Standing committees and ad hoc bodies

#### Funds and Programmes<sup>1</sup>

**UNDP** United Nations Development Programme

- UNCDF United Nations Capital Development
- **UNV** United Nations Volunteers

**UNEP<sup>8</sup>** United Nations Environment Programme

**UNFPA** United Nations Population Fund

**UN-HABITAT<sup>8</sup>** United Nations Human Settlements Programme

**UNICEF** United Nations Children's Fund

**WFP** World Food Programme (UN/FAO)

#### Research and Training

**UNIDIR** United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

**UNITAR** United Nations Institute for Training and Research

**UNSSC** United Nations System Staff College

**UNU** United Nations University

#### Other Entities

ITC International Trade Centre (UN/WTO)

**UNCTAD<sup>1,8</sup>** United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

**UNHCR<sup>1</sup>** Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

**UNOPS**<sup>1</sup> United Nations Office for **Project Services** 

**UNRWA**<sup>1</sup> United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

**UN-WOMEN**<sup>1</sup> United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

#### **Related Organizations**

#### **CTBTO PREPARATORY COMMISSION**

Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization

IAEA<sup>1,3</sup> International Atomic Energy Agency

ICC International Criminal Court

**IOM**<sup>1</sup> International Organization for Migration

**ISA** International Seabed Authority

ITLOS International Tribunal for the Law

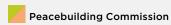
**OPCW**<sup>3</sup> Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons

**WTO<sup>1,4</sup>** World Trade Organization

#### **Subsidiary Organs**

- · Counter-Terrorism Committee
- · International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals
- Military Staff Committee

- · Peacekeeping operations and political missions
- Sanctions committees (ad hoc)
- Standing committees and ad hoc bodies



**HLPF** High-level political forum on sustainable development

**UNWTO** World Tourism Organization

**WHO** World Health Organization

**WIPO** World Intellectual Property

**UPU** Universal Postal Union

#### Narcotic Drugs

- · Population and Development
- · Science and Technology for Development

**Functional Commissions** 

• Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

- Social Development
- Statistics
- · Status of Women
- United Nations Forum on Forests

#### Regional Commissions<sup>8</sup>

**ECA** Economic Commission for Africa

**ECE** Economic Commission for Europe

**ECLAC** Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

**ESCAP** Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

**ESCWA** Economic and Social Commission or Western Asia

#### **Other Bodies**

- Committee for Development Policy
- · Committee of Experts on Public Administration
- Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

HIV/AIDS

Geographical Names

Justice Research Institute

Social Development

- 1 Members of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB).
- 2 UN Office for Partnerships (UNOP) is the UN's focal point vis-a-vis the United Nations Foundation, Inc. 3 IAEA and OPCW report to the Security Council and the General Assembly (GA).
- 4 WTO has no reporting obligation to the GA, but contributes on an ad hoc basis to GA and Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) work on, inter alia, finance and development issues.
- 5 Specialized agencies are autonomous organizations whose work is coordinated through ECOSOC (intergovernmental level) and CEB (inter-secretariat level).
- 6 The Trusteeship Council suspended operation on 1 November 1994, as on 1 October 1994 Palau, the last United Nations Trust Territory, became independent.
- 7 International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) and Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) are not specialized agencies in accordance with Articles 57 and 63 of the Charter, but are part of the World Bank Group
- 8 The secretariats of these organs are part of the UN Secretariat.
- 9 The Secretariat also includes the following offices: The Ethics Office, United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services, and the Office of Administration of Justice.

# Specialized Agencies 1,5

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization

**IFAD** International Fund for Agricultural Development

**ILO** International Labour Organization

**IMF** International Monetary Fund

**IMO** International Maritime Organization

ITU International Telecommunication Union **UNESCO** United Nations Educational,

Scientific and Cultural Organization

**UNIDO** United Nations Industrial Development Organization

Organization **WMO** World Meteorological Organization WORLD BANK GROUP<sup>7</sup> · IBRD International Bank for Reconstruction and Development • IDA International Development • **IFC** International Finance Corporation

## Departments and Offices<sup>9</sup> OCHA Office for the Coordination of

**EOSG** Executive Office of the Secretary-General

**DGC** Department of Global

**DESA** Department of Economic and Social Affairs

**DGACM** Department for General Assembly and Conference Management

Communications **DMSPC** Department of Management

Strategy, Policy and Compliance **DOS** Department of Operational Support

**DPO** Department of Peace Operations

**DPPA** Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs

**DSS** Department of Safety and Security

Humanitarian Affairs

**ODA** Office for Disarmament Affairs **OHCHR** Office of the United Nations

High Commissioner for Human Rights **OIOS** Office of Internal Oversight Services

**OLA** Office of Legal Affairs **OSAA** Office of the Special Adviser on Africa

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict

**SRSG/SVC** Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict

SRSG/VAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence Against Children

• Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

**UNAIDS** Joint United Nations Programme on

**UNGEGN** United Nations Group of Experts on

#### **Research and Training**

**UNICRI** United Nations Interregional Crime and

**UNRISD** United Nations Research Institute for

**UNISDR** United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction

**UNODC<sup>1</sup>** United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime **UNOG** United Nations Office at Geneva

**UN-OHRLLS** Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island **Developing States** 

**UNON** United Nations Office at Nairobi

**UNOV** United Nations Office at Vienna

**UNOP**<sup>2</sup> United Nations Office for Partnerships

This Chart is a reflection of the functional organization of the United Nations System and for informational purposes only. It does not include all offices or entities of the United Nations System.

# UN PEACEKEEPING — WE ARE A GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP



PEACEKEEPING IS SUPPORTED BY

193 member states



WHO CONTRIBUTE

PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT & FUNDS

\*BUDGET 7.23
BILLION
LESS THAN
0.5% OF WORLD
MILITARY
EXPENDITURES



#### **WORKING WITH OUR INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS**

AU African Union EUropean Union

AND OUR UN PARTNERS INCLUDING

The World Bank UNDP United Nations Development Programme

WOMEN

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#### PEACEKEEPING INCLUDES



THE LARGEST MISSION IS IN

Darfur

26,612

PARTNERSHIP WITH AU African Union

PEACEKEEPING HAS A GLOBAL LOGISTICS OPERATION

|      | 46     | AIRPLANES     |
|------|--------|---------------|
|      | 12     | SHIPS         |
| -    | 147    | HELICOPTERS   |
|      | 33,437 | VEHICLES      |
| 0    | 22     | HOSPITALS     |
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WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE HOST COUNTRIES WE HELP PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD

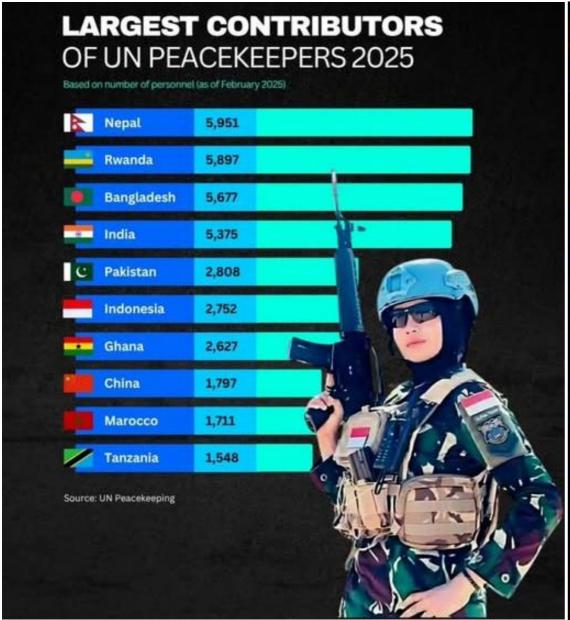
4 M TOTAL AREA OF COUNTRIES WE OPERATE IN

154 M

un.org/peacekeeping

Data used from 2010-2012

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\*Approved resources for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013



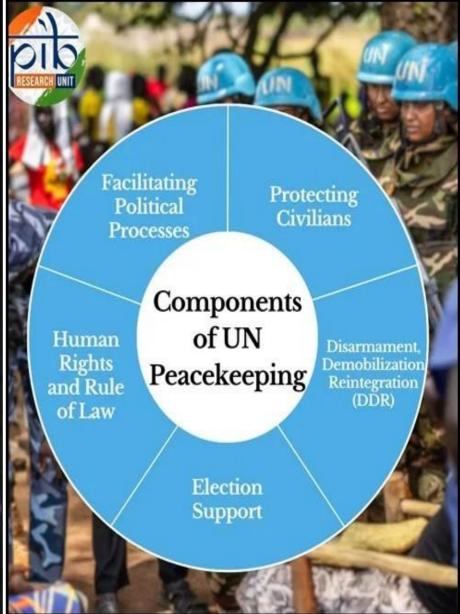


Figure 5.1 Elements of Chapter VII of the UN Charter

Article 39 – UN Security Council In Charge: 'The Security Council shall determine the existence of any threat to the peace, breach of the peace, or act of aggression and shall make recommendations, or decide what measures shall be taken in accordance with Articles 41 and 42, to maintain or restore international peace and security.'

Article 40 – Cease and Desist Orders: 'The UN Security Council may ... call upon the parties concerned to comply with such provisional measures as it deems necessary or desirable ... The Security Council shall duly take account of failure to comply with such provisional measures.'

Article 41 – Sanctions Short of War: 'The Security Council may decide what measures not involving the use of armed force are to be employed to give effect to its decisions, and it may call upon the Members of the United Nations to apply such measures. These may include complete or partial interruption of economic relations and of rail, sea, air, postal, telegraphic, radio, and other means of communication, and the severance of diplomatic relations.'

Article 42 – Lawful War: 'Should the Security Council consider that measures provided for in Article 41 would be inadequate or have proved to be inadequate, it may take such action by air, sea, or land forces as may be necessary to maintain or restore international peace and security. Such action may include demonstrations, blockade, and other operations by air, sea, or land forces of Members of the United Nations.'

Source: UN, Charter of the United Nations, available at https://www.un.org/en/about-us/un-charter/full-text



The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), was established by a multilateral treaty of 23 countries in 1947 in the wake of other new multilateral institutions dedicated to international economic cooperation—such as the World Bank (founded 1944) and the International Monetary Fund (founded 1944-1945). In 1995, GATT was replaced by the World Trade Organization (WTO), an intergovernmental organization concerned with the regulation of international trade between nations. It is the largest international economic organization in the world.

The WTO deals with regulation of trade in goods, services and intellectual property between participating countries by providing a framework for negotiating trade agreements and a dispute resolution process aimed at enforcing participants' adherence to WTO agreements, which are signed by representatives of member governments and ratified by their parliaments. The WTO prohibits discrimination between trading partners, but provides exceptions for environmental protection, national security, and other important goals. Trade-related disputes are resolved by independent judges at the WTO through a dispute resolution process.

The WTO's current Director-General is Roberto Azevêdo, who leads a staff of over 600 people in Geneva, Switzerland. A trade facilitation agreement, part of the Bali Package of decisions, was agreed by all members on 7 December 2013, the first comprehensive agreement in the organization's history. On 23 January 2017, the amendment to the WTO Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) Agreement marks the first time that WTO accords have been amended, and this change should secure for developing countries a legal pathway to access affordable remedies under WTO rules.

Studies show that the WTO has boosted trade, that barriers to trade would be greater and tariffs as much as 32% higher in its absence. The WTO has also influenced the text of trade agreements, as nearly all recent **preferential trade agreements** (PTAs) reference the WTO explicitly, often dozens of times across multiple chapters. In many of these same PTAs, substantial portions of treaty language—sometimes the majority of a chapter—is copied verbatim from a WTO agreement.

#### **Functions of WTO**

- Administering WTO trade agreements
- · Forum for trade negotiations
- Handling trade disputes
- Reviewing national trade policies
- Assisting developing countries in trade policy issues, through technical assistance and training programme
- Monitoring national trade policies
- Cooperation with other international organizations

## Structures of WTO







The Bretton Woods Institutions The International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank were created at an international conference convened in Bretton Woods, USA, in July 1944. The aim of the conference was to establish a framework for economic cooperation and development that would lead to a more stable and prosperous global economy. While this goal remains central to both institutions, their work evolves in response to new economic developments and challenges.

The IMF and the World Bank The International Monetary Fund and the World Bank are institutions in the United Nations system. They share the aim of raising living standards in their member countries. Their approaches are complementary, with the IMF focusing on macroeconomic issues and the World Bank concentrating on long-term economic development and poverty reduction.

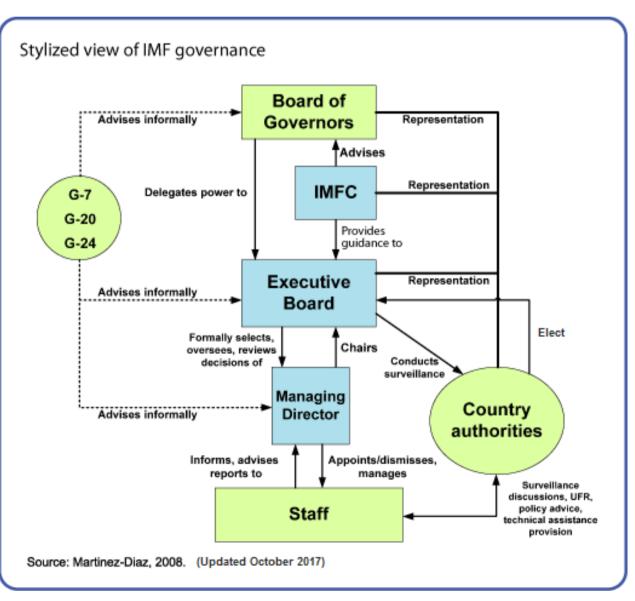
**The IMF's mandate.** The IMF promotes international monetary cooperation and provides policy advice and capacity development support to help countries build and maintain strong economies. The IMF also makes loans and helps countries design policy programs to solve balance of payments problems when sufficient financing on affordable terms cannot be obtained to meet net international payments. IMF loans are short and medium term and funded mainly by the pool of quota contributions that its members provide. IMF staff are primarily economists.

The World Bank's mandate. The World Bank promotes long-term economic development and poverty reduction by providing technical and financial support to help countries reform certain sectors or implement specific projects—such as building schools and health centres, providing water and electricity, fighting disease, and protecting the environment. World Bank assistance is generally long term and is funded both by member country contributions and by issuing bonds. World Bank staff are often specialists on particular issues, sectors, or techniques.

Framework for cooperation and collaboration The IMF and World Bank collaborate regularly and at many levels to assist member countries and work together on various initiatives. During the Annual Meetings of the Boards of Governors of the IMF and the World Bank, Governors consult and present their countries' views on current issues in international economics and finance. The Boards of Governors decide how to address international economic and financial issues and set priorities for the organizations. A group of IMF and World Bank Governors also meet as part of the Development Committee, whose meetings coincide with the Spring and Annual Meetings of the IMF and the World Bank. This committee was established in 1974 to advise the two institutions on critical development issues and on the financial resources required to promote economic development in low-income countries.

Management consultation. The Managing Director of the IMF and the President of the World Bank meet regularly to consult on major issues. They also issue joint statements and occasionally write joint articles, and have visited several regions and countries together. IMF and Bank staffs collaborate closely on country assistance and policy issues that are relevant for both institutions. The two institutions often conduct country missions in parallel and staff participate in each other's missions. IMF assessments of a country's general economic situation and policies provide input to the Bank's assessments of potential development projects or reforms. Similarly, Bank advice on structural and sectoral reforms is considered by the IMF in its policy advice. The staffs of the two institutions also cooperate on the conditionality involved in their respective lending programs.





| Now study the following websites and answer questions 1 and 2:  |
|---|
| www.imf.org   |
| www.worldbank.org   |
| https://www.imf.org/en/About/Factsheets/IMF-at-a-Glance   |
| 1) What are the primary goals of the IMF?   |
| 2) What are the primary reads of the World Doub?  |
| 2) What are the primary goals of the World Bank?  |
|   |
| 3) Use the Internet and list some of the most common criticisms of the IMF and the World Bank.  |
|   |
| 4) Discussion:  |
| <ul><li>i) How successful have the World Bank and the IMF been in achieving their primary goals?</li><li>ii) How could the two organizations be improved?</li></ul> |

#### **DISCUSSION LANGUAGE**

#### 1) Sequencing Words:

Firstly, secondly, thirdly, lastly. To begin with, moreover, furthermore

#### 2) Sentence Adverbs:

Naturally, of course, actually, anyway, in fact, fortunately, unfortunately, in any case.

#### 3) Logical Connectives:

| And           | Or                | But         | <b>Because</b> | As a result  |
|---------------|-------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|
| Plus          | alternatively     | however     | as             | therefore    |
| In addition   | on the one hand   | although    | since          | thus         |
| Not only that | on the other hand | by contrast |                | consequently |
| Also          |                   | whereas     |                | SO           |

#### 4) Agreeing and Disagreeing:

- + Definitely, Certainly, Of course, That's a good point, Yes, I agree with you, I suppose so.
- +/— I'm not sure, It depends, I don't know, Maybe, Perhaps.
- I don't think so, I'm not convinced, I don't agree, Of course not, You must be joking.

SUGGESTIONS: Shall we...? Why don't we...? What about...? How about...? Let's...

EXPLAINING: You see... In my opinion... If you ask me... I would say....

INVITING AN OPINION: What do you think? Do you agree? How does that sound?

SPECULATING: Maybe... Perhaps...

#### 5) Don't forget to use Modal Verbs to express:

POSSIBILITY: could, may, might, can't.

OBLIGATION: should, ought to, must, mustn't, needn't.

SPECULATION: would.

PREDICTIONS: will / won't / should / shouldn't

#### MODAL VERBS IN THE PAST

#### 1) POSSIBILITY / PROBABILITY IN THE PAST

| He | must  | have | known     | 90% Probability |
|----|-------|------|-----------|-----------------|
|    | could |      | died      | 50% Probability |
|    | may   |      | guessed   | 30% Probability |
|    | might |      | left      | 10% Probability |
|    | can't |      | forgotten | 1% Probability  |

#### 2) OBLIGATION IN THE PAST

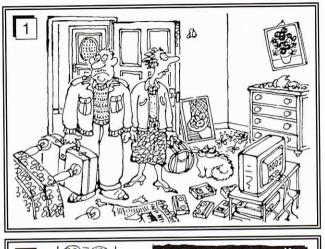
| She | ought to | have | known  | (but she didn't) |
|-----|----------|------|--------|------------------|
|     | should   |      | phoned |                  |

#### 3) IMAGINARY SITUATIONS IN THE PAST

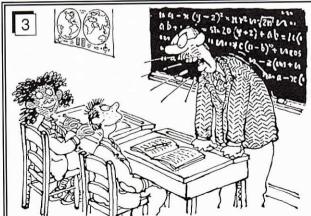
I would have told you (but I didn't)

#### 4) DEDUCTIONS ABOUT THE FUTURE

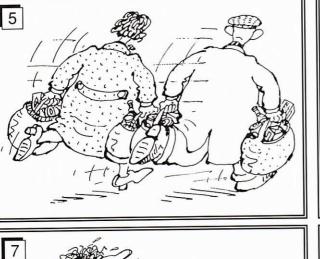
The plane will have arrived by now

















# **Chapter 6: War and its Causes**

#### Summary

Imagine you are the President of Peru and that you have been dealing with a troublesome Bolivia for some time now. The President of Bolivia seized power and dissolved Parliament six months ago, and has mobilized troops on your border. He has been posturing threateningly, and claims that approximately one-fourth of your national territory is rightfully part of Bolivia. He demands that you cede the territory to Bolivia and pay BOB 70 billion (~PEN 28 billion or USD 10 billion) in "reparations and compensation for illegally occupied territory of the State of Bolivia". What do you do?

## Important background information

- Your military is stronger than Bolivia's. Since the power seizure in Bolivia, the
  military has become highly centralized, and much of the country is under military
  control, but dissent is still widespread in the ranks. Additionally, while the Bolivian
  military has increased in size, it remains at under 100,000 troops, whereas Peru
  has nearly 150,000 and more modern equipment.
- The President of Bolivia is a wildcard. He is unpredictable, erratic, and difficult to negotiate with.
- Peru does not rely heavily on Bolivian imports or exports. Peru's largest trade partners are China, the United States, Switzerland, Canada, and Brazil. Trade with Bolivia is not critical to the Peruvian economy.
- In addition to the instability in Bolivia, the Colombian government has been wracked by instability and corruption and is in danger of falling. There is a large, armed Colombian rebel group based in southwestern Colombia near the Peruvian border (*Frente de la Libertad de Colombia*, or FLC). While their primary goal is to overthrow the Colombian government, it seems they might be willing to foment unrest for the right sum. You have long been concerned that they would bring violence across the border. Additionally, since they are perpetually in need of funds, it is possible that Bolivia could pay the group to engage in violence in Peru.

## What do you do?

Pay the reparations and give Bolivia the territory. It is not worth risking a war with an unpredictable dictator. Peru might lose a lot more than that if Bolivia launched a war of conquest, and the war effort would likely cost significantly more than the sum Bolivia is demanding.

Do not cede the territory or pay the sum. Declare that Bolivia has absolutely no claim to the land in question, and warn Bolivia that Peru will not hesitate to use overwhelming force in case of a Bolivian invasion. The Bolivian President should know that he will lose a war, and will not risk escalating the conflict.

Request economic sanctions or other punitive measures be levied against Bolivia. This is an undeniable encroachment on Peruvian sovereignty, and must be punished.

Move several thousand troops to the Bolivian border in case of an invasion, but ensure that they are under strict orders not to engage until further notice. Warn Bolivia that Peru is prepared to fight to protect its territory, and demand that Bolivia rescind its demands.

Launch airstrikes against key government and military targets, and send troops to the border to protect against a counterattack. Declare that Bolivia's demands constituted a hostile act, and you were forced to respond militarily to pre-empt the threat and protect Peru's national interests.

# Summary: Pathways to Interstate Peace

#### **Enduring question:**

How can states attain peace?

- Distribution of power among states influences the potential for peace.
  - Balance of power may increase the likelihood of peace because no aggressive state has enough of a power advantage to risk war.
    - An example of balance of power is the Cold War, in which the United States and Soviet Union were the two main powers in a bipolar system.
    - In other cases, there are more than just two pre-eminent powers; this is a multipolar system.
  - Hegemony may increase the likelihood of peace if peace is in the interests of the hegemon, since no state can challenge it.
    - Historical examples include Pax Romana (the Roman Empire), Pax Sinica (ancient China), Pax Mongolica (Eurasia in the 1240's-1340's) and the Pax Britannica (the British Empire – 1815-1914).
- States use diplomacy and power balancing to try to increase international peace.
  - Diplomacy: actions taken by representatives of states negotiating with other representatives to resolve disputes and collaborate.
    - Diplomatic protocols evolved gradually over time. They can be traced to the exchange of permanent representatives among city-states in northern Italy in the sixteenth century.
    - Formally, ambassadors are based in embassies which are considered sovereign territory of the foreign government to whom the embassy belongs. Embassy staff have diplomatic immunity.
    - Informally, countries sometimes rely on personal envoys of their leader (rather than formal ambassadors) to conduct diplomacy. They also may seek to improve relations with other countries via private groups like sports teams and music groups.
  - Power balancing: Actions taken by states to array "power against power"
    - Includes internal and external balancing.
      - NATO and the Warsaw Pact are good examples of external balancing in the wake of the Second World War.
    - Bandwagoning: When smaller, weaker states ally with larger states.

- International law and institutions have also been put in place to increase peace.
  - The League of Nations is an example of attempted collective security. It was a
    mostly failed attempt at collective security which never recovered from the US's
    failure to join. It proved incapable of resolving state aggression in the 1930s.
  - The United Nations is another example of modified collective security. The United Nations made changes to the League of Nations model, and more changes have occurred over the course of its existence.
    - Peacekeeping and peacemaking involve preventing war and ending war, respectively.
  - The European Union developed through rule-making and institutions. It is an unprecedented arrangement of countries with unified governance on some matters. It has faced challenges, like monetary woes and Brexit.
- Transnational mechanisms allow private individuals and nongovernmental actors to play a role in peace promotion.
  - Economic interdependence: the idea that free trade promotes interests that promote peace.
    - This notion of the commercial peace is popular in the liberal school of thought.
    - Past predictions that economic interdependence would end war, like those made prior to the First World War, have proven overly optimistic, at least so far.
    - After the Second World War, countries saw some success with maintaining peace through economic interdependence.
    - Today, China is testing the limits of this peacekeeping mechanism.
  - A potential international community of democracies: The spread of democracies could create Zones of Peace around the world.
    - This notion has its roots in democratic peace theory. According to the democratic peace theory, gradual democratization of countries will lead to expanding zones of peace.
    - The notion of "Western civilization" and democracy has its roots in the constructivist school of thought.
    - Various proposals have been put forward in the US, including the Community of Democracies in the 1990s (which does now exist) and a possible Summit of Democracies more recently with the election of President Joseph Biden.
  - Peace movements within a global civil society also increase chances of living in a peaceful international system.
    - The effects of these movements are hard to quantify or measure, but there is some evidence that they had a role in shaping the peace that ended the First World War, Vietnam War, and Iraq War.

# **Chapter 7: Pathways to Interstate Peace**

## Summary

Imagine you are the Minister responsible for Foreign Affairs in Oman. While the Sultan of Oman is officially the Minister of Foreign Affairs (as well as the Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, and Minister of Defense), you are primarily responsible for conducting Oman's foreign relations. This morning you were informed that the United Arab Emirates has announced that it believes it has a claim to approximately half of Musandam. The Sultan has given you a clear directive: you are to retain Oman's control over Musandam and avoid war entirely. If war occurs, you have failed. What do you do first?

## Important background information

- Musandam is an Omani governorate that sticks out into the Strait of Hormuz. It
  has critical strategic importance as it allows for partial control of the Strait, which
  is a major naval passageway for the oil trade. Losing Musandam would be a
  major blow to Oman.
- Musandam is an exclave of Oman, meaning that it is entirely geographically separate from Oman. The UAE lies between Musandam and the rest of Oman.
- Oman and the UAE are both generally very committed to peace, and enjoy cordial relations with numerous countries that are enemies of each other, including Iran, the UK, Egypt, and the US. Oman has historically pushed for peace in the Middle East. War with the UAE would be anathema to Oman.
- Relations between Oman and the UAE have been up and down since Oman discovered an Emirati spy network spying on the Omani government and military targets in 2010. Prior to the crisis you are dealing with, relations had stabilized.
- The UAE is wealthier than Oman and has approximately three times as many people (but a smaller active duty army).

## What do you do?

Invite the Omani Ambassador to the UAE and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the UAE.

The envoy should represent the Sultan to the UAE's President or Minister of Foreign Affairs. The purpose of this visit should be to stress Oman's commitment to friendly relations with the UAE and to solve the dispute peacefully.

Request diplomatic interference and a commitment to militarily aid Oman in defense of its territory.

Strengthen relations and elicit commitments that each will protect your territorial integrity from Emirati aggression.

Send out troops to the border between Musandam and the UAE by sending out troops. Warn the UAE that territorial aggression will not be tolerated and demand that the UAE back down.

# Trump's 20-point Gaza Peace Plan in Full



Donald Trump's plan to end the war in Gaza has been accepted by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, while Hamas is yet to issue an official response.

Here is the full text of the proposal, as provided by the White House:

- 1. Gaza will be a deradicalised terror-free zone that does not pose a threat to its neighbours.
- 2. Gaza will be redeveloped for the benefit of the people of Gaza, who have suffered more than enough.
- 3. If both sides agree to this proposal, the war will immediately end. Israeli forces will withdraw to the agreed upon line to prepare for a hostage release. During this time, all military operations, including aerial and artillery bombardment, will be suspended, and battle lines will remain frozen until conditions are met for the complete staged withdrawal.
- 4. Within 72 hours of Israel publicly accepting this agreement, all hostages, alive and deceased, will be returned.
- 5. Once all hostages are released, Israel will release 250 life sentence prisoners plus 1,700 Gazans who were detained after 7 October 2023, including all women and children detained in that context. For every Israeli hostage whose remains are released, Israel will release the remains of 15 deceased Gazans.
- 6. Once all hostages are returned, Hamas members who commit to peaceful co-existence and to decommission their weapons will be given amnesty. Members of Hamas who wish to leave Gaza will be provided safe passage to receiving countries.

- 7. Upon acceptance of this agreement, full aid will be immediately sent into the Gaza Strip. At a minimum, aid quantities will be consistent with what was included in the 19 January 2025 agreement regarding humanitarian aid, including rehabilitation of infrastructure (water, electricity, sewage), rehabilitation of hospitals and bakeries, and entry of necessary equipment to remove rubble and open roads.
- 8. Entry of distribution and aid in the Gaza Strip will proceed without interference from the two parties through the United Nations and its agencies, and the Red Crescent, in addition to other international institutions not associated in any manner with either party. Opening the Rafah crossing in both directions will be subject to the same mechanism implemented under 19 January 2025 agreement.
- 9. Gaza will be governed under the temporary transitional governance of a technocratic, apolitical Palestinian committee, responsible for delivering the day-to-day running of public services and municipalities for the people in Gaza. This committee will be made up of qualified Palestinians and international experts, with oversight and supervision by a new international transitional body, the "Board of Peace," which will be headed and chaired by President Donald J. Trump, with other members and heads of state to be announced, including Former Prime Minister Tony Blair. This body will set the framework and handle the funding for the redevelopment of Gaza until such time as the Palestinian Authority has completed its reform programme, as outlined in various proposals, including President Trump's peace plan in 2020 and the Saudi-French proposal, and can securely and effectively take back control of Gaza. This body will call on best international standards to create modern and efficient governance that serves the people of Gaza and is conducive to attracting investment.
- 10. A Trump economic development plan to rebuild and energise Gaza will be created by convening a panel of experts who have helped birth some of the thriving modern miracle cities in the Middle East. Many thoughtful investment proposals and exciting development ideas have been crafted by well-meaning international groups, and will be considered to synthesize the security and governance frameworks to attract and facilitate these investments that will create jobs, opportunity, and hope for future Gaza.
- 11. A special economic zone will be established with preferred tariff and access rates to be negotiated with participating countries.
- 12. No one will be forced to leave Gaza, and those who wish to leave will be free to do so and free to return. We will encourage people to stay and offer them the opportunity to build a better Gaza.
- 13. Hamas and other factions agree to not have any role in the governance of Gaza, directly, indirectly, or in any form. All military, terror, and offensive infrastructure, including tunnels and weapon production facilities, will be destroyed and not rebuilt. There will be a process of demilitarisation of Gaza under the supervision of independent monitors, which will include placing weapons permanently beyond use through an agreed process of decommissioning, and supported by an internationally funded buy back and reintegration programme all verified by the independent monitors. New Gaza will be fully committed to building a prosperous economy and to peaceful coexistence with their neighbours.
- 14. A guarantee will be provided by regional partners to ensure that Hamas, and the factions, comply with their obligations and that New Gaza poses no threat to its neighbours or its people.
- 15. The United States will work with Arab and international partners to develop a temporary International Stabilisation Force (ISF) to immediately deploy in Gaza. The ISF will train and provide support to vetted Palestinian police forces in Gaza, and will consult with Jordan and Egypt who have extensive experience in this field. This force will be the long-term internal security solution. The ISF will work with Israel and Egypt to help secure border areas, along with newly trained Palestinian police forces. It is critical to prevent munitions from entering Gaza and to facilitate the rapid and

secure flow of goods to rebuild and revitalize Gaza. A deconfliction mechanism will be agreed upon by the parties.

- 16. Israel will not occupy or annex Gaza. As the ISF establishes control and stability, the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) will withdraw based on standards, milestones, and timeframes linked to demilitarization that will be agreed upon between the IDF, ISF, the guarantors, and the Unites States, with the objective of a secure Gaza that no longer poses a threat to Israel, Egypt, or its citizens. Practically, the IDF will progressively hand over the Gaza territory it occupies to the ISF according to an agreement they will make with the transitional authority until they are withdrawn completely from Gaza, save for a security perimeter presence that will remain until Gaza is properly secure from any resurgent terror threat.
- 17. In the event Hamas delays or rejects this proposal, the above, including the scaled-up aid operation, will proceed in the terror-free areas handed over from the IDF to the ISF.
- 18. An interfaith dialogue process will be established based on the values of tolerance and peaceful co-existence to try and change mindsets and narratives of Palestinians and Israelis by emphasizing the benefits that can be derived from peace.
- 19. While Gaza re-development advances and when the PA reform programme is faithfully carried out, the conditions may finally be in place for a credible pathway to Palestinian self-determination and statehood, which we recognise as the aspiration of the Palestinian people.
- 20. The United States will establish a dialogue between Israel and the Palestinians to agree on a political horizon for peaceful and prosperous co-existence.

'Spain is very popular for tourists from Britain. Here, in Majorca, Carol Beer is the friendly tour guide for Sunsearchers Holidays'

#### 1) Watch this video-clip

https://www.dailymotion.com/video/x38nj3

Little Britain Abroad - Carol Beer Part 1 of 3

#### 2) THE PRONUNCIATION OF PAST TENSE FORMS:

$$-st, -t, -d + ed = / Id /$$

$$-s$$
,  $-sh$ ,  $-ch$ ,  $-x$ ,  $-f$ ,  $-gh$ ,  $-p$ ,  $-k + ed = /t/$ 

Study the pronunciation rules shown above, then read the passage below aloud.

Mr and Mrs Brown arrived at Majorca airport. They walked through the terminal, collected their luggage and looked for their coach. They spotted Carol Beer, the tour guide for Sunsearchers Holidays, holding a sign with the company's name on it. They tried to read it but the writing was very small.

Mr Brown smiled and said, "Good morning" to Carol but she seemed very unfriendly.

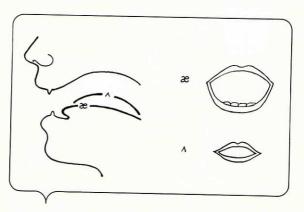
Mr and Mrs Brown entered the 'Sunsearchers' coach and started their journey to the hotel.

On the coach, the passengers relaxed. Carol welcomed them to Spain and invited them to come to her if they had any questions or problems. Suddenly Mrs Brown felt travel sick and said that she wanted to vomit, so Mr Brown asked Carol to halt. The driver stopped and Mr and Mrs Brown climbed out of the coach.

Mrs Brown vomited and Carol ordered the driver to drive away, leaving Mr and Mrs Brown behind. Mr Brown shouted and protested, the driver braked and Carol jettisoned their suitcases, which landed on the tarmac.

The tour guide abandoned Mr and Mrs Brown by the side of the road and the coach continued on its journey. The audience laughed and laughed.

#### Unit 5 A cup

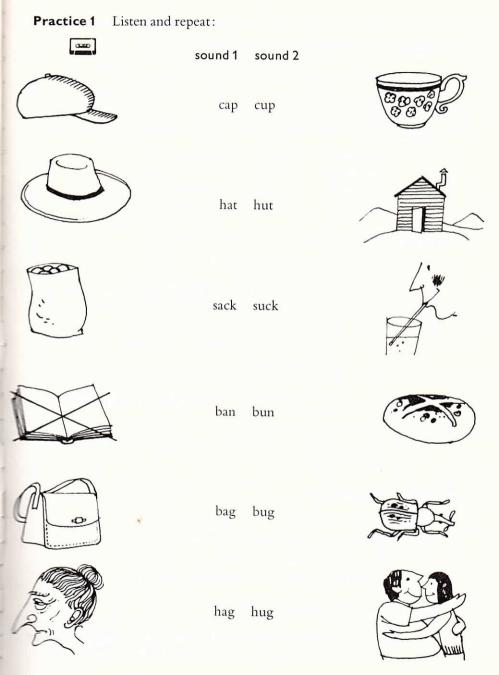




First practise the sound æ (see page 12). Then put your tongue back a little.

A is a very short sound.

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Test Tick the words you recognise in the sentences you hear:

1 a) cap; b) cup 4 a) mad; b) mud

2 a) bett b) but

2 a) hat; b) hut 5 a) hang; b) hung 3 a) bag; b) bug 6 a) ran; b) run

**Practice 2** Listen and repeat:

ugly must love CEED) untrue much lovely unhappy lunch honey understand Sunny worry shut up cousin company just once Russ wonderful

#### Dialogue I love you

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Russ: Honey, why are you so sad? (Janet says nothing)

Russ: Honey, why are you so unhappy? I don't understand.

Janet: You don't love me, Russ!

Russ: But, honey, I love you very much.

Janet: That's untrue. You love my cousin, Sunny. You think she's lovely and I'm ugly.

Russ: Janet, just once last month I took Sunny out for lunch. You mustn't worry. I like your company much better than Sunny's.

Janet: Oh, shut up, Russ.

Russ: But, honey, I think you're wonderful. You mustn't ... Janet: Oh, SHUT UP!

#### Intonation Making a list



He bought a cup and some nuts.

He bought a cup, some nuts and some honey.

He bought a cup, some nuts, some honey, and a brush.

#### Game 'My uncle went to London'

Practise this game first with the class, then in groups of five or six people. Choose any words from the list below.

#### Example:

a blood sausage

Student A: My uncle went to London and he spent a lot of money. He bought a bus.

Student B: My uncle went to London and he spent a lot of money. He bought a bus and a dozen buns.

Each student adds something to the list, and you must remember what the other students have said.

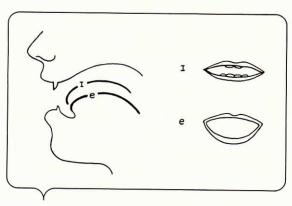
#### Practise saying the words before you start:

a cup some butter
a cupboard some honey
a bus one onion
a bottle of rum a brush
a hundred buttons a rubber duck
some nuts a dozen buns
a tongue an ugly monkey

some comfortable gloves some coloured sunglasses

a lovely butterfly

#### Unit 3 e pen





First practise the sound 1 (see page 6). Then open your mouth a *little* more. e is a short sound.

Practice 1 Listen and repeat: sound 1 sound 2 pin pen bin Ben tin ten pig peg Bill bell Mid Band chicks cheques

Test Tick the words you recognise in the sentences you hear:

1 a) pin; b) pen

2 a) pig; b) peg

3 a) tins; b) tens

4 a) sit; b) set

5 a) Jinny; b) Jenny

6 a) picked; b) pecked

#### Practice 2 Listen and repeat:

000

any spend Jenny everybody friend jealous everything left America

Eddie shelf expensive cigarettes Ellen

ten pence help yourself

#### An expensive holiday Dialogue

Eddie: Hello, Ellen! Hello, Ben! Hello, Jenny!

Ben: Hello, Eddie. Have a cigarette.

Eddie: Thanks, Ben.

Ellen: Help yourself to whisky.

Jenny: It's on the shelf.

Ben: How did you spend your holiday, Eddie?

Eddie: I went to America with a friend.

Everybody: Well!

Ellen: We're all jealous. Ben: Was it expensive?

Eddie: Yes. Very. I've spent everything. Jenny: Haven't you any money left?

Eddie: Yes, Jenny. Ten pence!

- There was a young lady of Kent,
   Whose nose was incredibly bent.
   She followed her nose,
   One day, I suppose,
   And nobody knows where she went.
- There was an explorer named Petty,
   Who wanted to capture a yeti.
   The yeti yelled, "Freeze!
   I've a gun on your knees,
   While my Dad gets the ring and confetti."
- There was an old lady from Ghent,
   Who slept on a bed of cement.
   Her bed was well used,
   Her body was bruised,
   And the back of her head had a dent.
- 4. There was an odd fellow named Gus, Who grumbled and made such a fuss, He was banned from the train, Not allowed on a plane, And now travels only by bus.

#### Un esempio di memorizzazione "a recitazione": i verbi irregolari

I fonemi passano dalla memoria a breve termine all'archivio fonologico di lunga durata del cervello tramite un processo che potremmo chiamare "a recitazione" (dall'inglese "rehearsal" (Williams & Burden 1997: 16).

Cerca di memorizzare questi gruppi di verbi irregolari ripetendoli ad alta voce a gruppi di tre o quattro, sfruttando la similitudine tra i suoni e il loro ritmo per fissarli nella tua memoria. A questo punto, copri la seconda e/o terza colonna e metti alla prova la tua conoscenza controllando se, leggendo la forma all'infinito, sei in grado di ricordare le forme corrispondenti per le altre due colonne.

| INFINITIVE<br>Cut<br>Shut<br>Put                                       | PAST<br>Cut<br>Shut<br>Put  | PAST PARTICIPLE Cut Shut Put                                   | INFINITIVE<br>Ring<br>Sing<br>Swim                | PAST<br>Rang<br>Sang<br>Swam                            | PAST PARTICIPLE<br>Rung<br>Sung<br>Swum                            |
|--|---|--|---|---|--|
| Let<br>Set<br>Spread   | Let<br>Set<br>Spread  | Let<br>Set<br>Spread   | Sink<br>Shrink<br>Drink                           | Sank<br>Shrank<br>Drank                                 | Sunk<br>Shrunk<br>Drunk  |
| Hit<br>Quit<br>Cost  | Hit<br>Quit<br>Cost   | Hit<br>Quit<br>Cost  | Run<br>Come<br>Become<br>Begin                    | Ran<br>Came<br>Became<br>Began                          | Run<br>Come<br>Become<br>Begun                                     |
| INFINITIVE<br>Know<br>Grow<br>Blow<br>Throw<br>Fly<br>Draw<br>Withdraw | PAST<br>Knew<br>Grew<br>Blew<br>Threw<br>Flew<br>Drew<br>Withdrew | PAST PARTICIPLE Known Grown Blown Thrown Flown Drawn Withdrawn | INFINITIVE Buy Fight Bring Think Seek Teach Catch | PAST Bought Fought Brought Thought Sought Taught Caught | PAST PARTICIPLE Bought Fought Brought Thought Sought Taught Caught |
| INFINITIVE<br>Make<br>Lay<br>Pay                                       | PAST<br>Made<br>Laid<br>Paid<br>Said                              | PAST PARTICIPLE Made Laid Paid Said                            | INFINITIVE<br>Break<br>Wake<br>Speak<br>Freeze    | PAST<br>Broke<br>Woke<br>Spoke<br>Froze                 | PAST PARTICIPLE<br>Broken<br>Woken<br>Spoken<br>Frozen             |
| Read<br>Lead<br>Meet   | Read<br>Led<br>Met  | Read<br>Led<br>Met   | Take<br>Shake<br>Fall                             | Took<br>Shook<br>Fell                                   | Taken<br>Shaken<br>Fallen  |
| Sell<br>Tell<br>Hold   | Sold<br>Told<br>Held  | Sold<br>Told<br>Held   | Give<br>Forgive<br>Forget                         | Gave<br>Forgave<br>Forgot                               | Given<br>Forgiven<br>Forgotten                                     |
| Have<br>Hear   | Had<br>Heard  | Had<br>Heard   | Write<br>Ride<br>Rise                             | Wrote<br>Rode<br>Rose                                   | Written<br>Ridden<br>Risen   |
| Find<br>Bind   | Found<br>Bound  | Found<br>Bound   | Drive   | Drove   | Driven   |

| INFINITIVE<br>Stand<br>Understand             | PAST<br>Stood<br>Understoo              | PAST PARTICIPLE Stood od Understood    | INFINITIVE<br>Choose<br>Steal<br>Eat        | PAST<br>Chose<br>Stole<br>Ate           | PAST PARTICIPLE<br>Chosen<br>Stolen<br>Eaten      |
|---|---|--|---|---|---|
|   |   |  | Bite<br>Hide<br>Forbid                      | Bit<br>Hid<br>Forbade                   | Bitten<br>Hidden<br>Forbidden                     |
| INFINITIVE<br>Keep<br>Creep<br>Sleep<br>Sweep | PAST<br>Kept<br>Crept<br>Slept<br>Swept | PAST PARTICIPLE Kept Crept Slept Swept | INFINITIVE<br>Wear<br>Tear<br>Swear<br>Show | PAST<br>Wore<br>Tore<br>Swore<br>Showed | PAST PARTICIPLE<br>Worn<br>Torn<br>Sworn<br>Shown |
| Spend<br>Send<br>Bend                         | Spent<br>Sent<br>Bent                   | Spent<br>Sent<br>Bent                  | See<br>Lie                                  | Saw<br>Lay                              | Seen<br>Lain                                      |
| Lend<br>Mean                                  | Lent<br>Meant                           | Lent<br>Meant                          | INFINITIVE<br>Shine<br>Win                  | PAST<br>Shone<br>Won                    | PAST PARTICIPLE<br>Shone<br>Won                   |
| Feel<br>Deal                                  | Felt<br>Dealt                           | Felt<br>Dealt                          | Hang  | Hung                                    | Hung  |
| Build   | Built                                   | Built                                  | <b>INFINITIVE</b><br>Be                     | PAST<br>Was/Were                        | PAST PARTICIPLE<br>Been                           |
| Get<br>Shoot                                  | Got<br>Shot                             | Got<br>Shot                            | Go<br>Do                                    | Went<br>Did                             | Gone/Been<br>Done                                 |
| Lose<br>Leave<br>Light                        | Lost<br>Left<br>Lit                     | Lost<br>Left<br>Lit                    |   |   |   |
| Sit<br>Stick<br>Strike                        | Sat<br>Stuck<br>Struck                  | Sat<br>Stuck<br>Struck                 |   |   |   |



**Billie Eilish Pirate Baird O'Connell** is an American singer-songwriter, born in Los Angeles, California, on December 18th 2001. She is the daughter of teacher, actress and screenwriter, Maggie Baird, and construction worker Patrick O'Connell. Both her parents are amateur musicians. She is of Irish and Scottish descent. The singer's middle name, Eilish, was originally meant to be her first name, while Pirate (proposed by her brother Finneas, four years her senior) was to be her middle name.

While she was home-schooled, her mother taught her and Finneas the basics of songwriting. She first gained attention in 2015 when she uploaded the song "Ocean Eyes" to SoundCloud, which was subsequently released by the Interscope Records. The song was written and produced by her brother Finneas O'Connell, with whom she collaborates on music and live shows. Her debut EP, *Don't Smile at Me* (2017) reached the top 15 in the US, UK, Canada, and Australia.

Eilish's debut studio album, *When We All Fall Asleep, Where Do We Go?* (2019), went to number one on the *Billboard* 200 and became one of the best-selling albums of 2019. It also reached number-one in the UK. The album's fifth single "Bad Guy" became her first number-one song on the *Billboard* Hot 100. In 2020, she performed the theme song "No Time to Die" for the James Bond film of the same name, which became her first number-one single in the UK. "Everything I Wanted" and "My Future" peaked within the top 10 in the US and UK.

Her accolades include five Grammy Awards, two American Music Awards, two Guinness World Records, three MTV Video Music Awards, and one Brit Award. She is the youngest person and second person in history to win the four main Grammy categories—Best New Artist, Record of the Year, Song of the Year and Album of the Year—in the same year. *Time* magazine has placed her on their inaugural *Time* 100 Next list. Additionally, Eilish is the 23rd biggest artist of the digital singles era, according to the Recording Industry Association of America, selling 40 million singles in the US alone.

On October 24<sup>th</sup> 2020, Billie Eilish performed a global virtual concert, *Where Do We Go? The Livestream.* with Finneas and drummer, Andrew Marshall. It was held at a studio in Los Angeles, using XR technologies to power the immersive interactive set. Tickets cost \$30 each.