Position Paper Formatting

One Position Paper shall be submitted for each committee in which a country is represented at the conference. Position Papers provide a concise review of the foreign policies of the country regarding the given topic areas under discussion, and establishes recommendations in terms of solutions and resolutions. Each topic should be addressed. Also, signed treaties, conventions, regional conventions, declarations, etc. could be mentioned in the position papers. Position papers serve as a blueprint for the delegates to know their country's policies, and to have some facts handy.

Each Position Paper should not exceed more than two pages and follow the format below:

Delegation from {Delegation Name} Represented by the University of Colorado-Boulder

Position Paper for {Committee Name}

The topics before {Committee Name} are {insert topics in order of most important to your delegation}

I. {First topic as written on your guide sheet. This should also be listed in parallel to the above line.}

{The body of the paper. Usually three to four paragraphs long. Explain in diplomatic language the position of your country on the topic and the reasons why. Use treaties already established by the UN as references in your paper. You do not have to worry about a Works Cited but just reference a report in your sentence. ie. "ECOSOC reports..."
When you cite a resolution, treaty, agreement, report or other official document, italicize the name. The font of the paper should be Times New Roman and usually 10 or 11 font.

Paragraphs should be separated by a line break, but not be indented.}

II. {Second topic}

{Follow this format for all of the topics. Make sure to be concise with your words with the space limitations. There is no golden rule as to how long each paragraph should be. It should explain your delegations position on the topic and give some reasons as to why your delegation believes the way it does. A sample Position Paper is on the Documents page.}