

A Parliamentary Value Case

Government:

Greetings

Clearly define each term in the proposition.

(See: "Defining Terms.")

Clearly state the value and the criteria or criterion.

(See: "Values/Criteria.")

Restate the resolution as now defined.

1) The criteria is of over-riding importance.

- Explain how the value in the resolution can be measured.
- Explain why this is important.

2) Evaluation/Comparison:

- It is essential to meet achieve the Government's value as measured by the criteria.

Summarize and Review.

Close with an appeal for support of the proposition.

Opposition:

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Question the Government's definitions and their "link" to the resolution.

Preview the Opposition philosophy, quarrel with the Government value/criteria.

The criterion is inappropriate:

- a) It's vague or ambiguous;
- b) An alternative criteria is more important or useful.
- c) Additional criteria are needed to reach a decision.

Other values are more important:

- 1) Explain why they are more important than the Government value.
- 2) Explain why they are incompatible with the Government approach.
- 3) Explain why the Government moves us further from a desirable outcome.

Summarize and Review.

Close with an appeal to reject the proposition.