Extemporaneous Speaking Comment Sheet

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Round 1 **Section** 4 **Speaker Time** 7:05

Question/Prompt Who will be the 2024 Democratic nominee for President?

Judge Name Júlio Judge **Judge Affiliation** Hired

Directions: Using the prompts below, please provide constructive feedback to the competitor. Your comments should highlight areas of strength as well as provide areas for growth. Be as specific as possible in your feedback. Use the space to expand your thoughts on any of these areas or to comment on specific moments or lines that stood out to you. Please do not comment on participants' attire or appearance; this should not play a role in your decision.

Argumentation and Analysis *Is the student directly answering the question? Does the student develop justifications for their ideas and establish the significance of their points? Have they established a clear understanding of the topic area?*	• The answer was clear and directly related to the question. The first and second points of the speech had good structure and were well developed. The third point was rushed and did not adequately back up the claim. • There was a lot of New York Times being cited. While this is a good source, increasing the variety of sources presented will help you stand out. There were inconsistencies in the citation provided when offering a date for the source.
Source Consideration *Does the speaker offer a variety of sources? Are the sources provided credible? Are appropriate citations used when citing a source?*	• The speaker was really engaging to listen to. It is clear the speaker has given this topic a great deal of consideration as the confidence was clear. Starting at the third point, delivery of the speech picked up tremendously, speaking got a bit more rapid. This impacted the clarity of delivery.
Delivery *Is the student using voice, movement, and expression effectively? Is the speaker confident? Is there consistent eye contact? Is the volume appropriate?*	• -The decision to offer Al Franken as the answer to the question was intriguing and a unique perspective on the topic. The first point about not shying away from his ideology was well done. The third point about how he would do in a general election was critical to answering the question effectively, but unfortunately, that's the point that was least developed. Work on your word economy in the introduction so you have more time in later parts of the speech.

Reason for Decision: *(Why did this performance earn the rank that you assigned?)*

The speaker's time allocation hurt their overall ability to deliver sufficient justifications for each of their points.

Contestant Rank 3 / 6

Judge Signature Júlio Judge

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