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Between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> minute of a speaker's substantive speech, members of the other team may offer POIs

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The purpose is to make a SHORT point or ask a SHORT question of the speaker

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POIs are brief, lasting no longer than 15 seconds

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The speaker can refuse to accept any POIs

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Or accept it at the end of the next sentence

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However, he is obliged to accept SOME POIs

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As a rule, he should accept at least 2 POIs

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Members of the opposing team should not offer an excessive number of POIs

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As a rule, each team should offer between 2 and 4 POIs per speech

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The speaker's response to a POI should be included in the mark for that speaker's speech

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Likewise, the offering of POIs should be included in the mark for the speaker offering points

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Reply speakers – no POIs