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New Vision is a Ugandan newspaper that offers news and information locally and globally.

My name is Decian Othello and I am a New Vision reporter. Today, at the Montessori Model United Nations conference, I will be giving a report on food security and nutrition on the Food and Agriculture Organization.

Food security and nutrition are a huge concern in our daily lives. Food and agriculture are the backbones of many African countries. As it was addressed in the Montessori Model United Nations conference, many African countries suffer from poor nutrition. Obesity and malnutrition are products of poor nutrition.

In many African countries, five percent of their population suffer from malnutrition. This is because five percent either suffers from drought and/or famine or poor food security. Obesity is

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a world-wide problem. This is also a product of poor nutrition. Obesity mostly affects adolescents.

Solutions were brought forward to help improve nutrition of african countries. These solutions include irrigation using public water channels, animal farming and adoption of global urban farming. By introducing public wide-spread irrigation, people can plant lots of crops and still be able to provide all of them with water. Animal farming/livestock keeping will help support countries suffering from malnutrition.

Another topic that was addressed is food security. Food security is a big concern. There are quite a number of ways that food security can be improved. One way is that agricultural practices and farming techniques can be improved. When they are improved, there will be an increase in food production and better, healthier food will be made for consumption. Reducing the price of healthy foods is also a way to improve food security because, by doing this, healthy food will be more affordable to the people. Food wastage is also a product of poor food security. To fight this, food recycling organizations should be made to ensure that zero or very little food is wasted. Many families, not only in Africa but also all around the world are affected by poor food security and poor nutrition. So, it is our responsibility to make a difference in our societies and if we do this, we will make our world a better place.