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Food Security has been an important issue lately and countries like Zimbabwe, cannot get the food they deserve. This is not right. In this proposal, I am going to be sharing my reasons and my general opinions on Food Security.

First, going back to Zimbabwe, food prices have skyrocketed. A Maize meal, a staple of the Zimbabwean diet, doubled in price in November to ZW\$101 per 10-kilogram sack. Now it costs ZW\$117. That is terrible and that's not all. In early December, a two-liter bottle of cooking oil cost ZW\$59. Now it costs more than ZW\$72.Fuel shortages have plagued Zimbabwe – now residents are being priced out of the food market. "Life is hard, things keep on getting expensive and there is no food control" said Benjamini Dunha. "The money is valueless now" said Duhna, (A father of 8 Children in Zimbabwe). "All we can afford to eat is Sadza (A

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thick version of Maize Meal) and Vegetables." Rapping up the Zimbabwe topic, recently, Zimbabwe declined cash handouts from the US because they need more food now that money is basically worthless.

I spoke to the Delegates of Luxembourg and Eritrea. I'm going to start off with

Eritrea. At the moment, Eritrea's food prices have increasing heavily. They are not at the best state currently, as 35% of people there do not have food. They do not even currently have a support system for people in poverty. But, they are currently trying to educate farmers so there can be more efficient ways to plant healthy crops.

Now, let's switch to Luxembourg. Currently, Luxembourg is completely different. Luxembourg's food prices have very slowly increased and only 0.5% of the people there can't afford or struggle with food. They actually do have a very great support system for people in poverty and they also support schools in need of the money as well! And the best part, food is very easy to get there. I also spoke to the delegates of Greece and the Central American Republic. Im going to start off with Greece. Currently, Greece has been in a tough situation. Greece is currently in debt and food prices are rising there at a pretty fast rate. 60% of the people there don't get food and food is really hard to come by obliviously because of the 60% of the people who don't get food from what I wrote above.

Now switching to the Central American Republic. The CAR (Central American Republic) is in a half and half situation but a bit better situation than Greece . Food prices there are rising slowly

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