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World Food Program: Welcome Paper

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Delegates,

Welcome to YUNMUN XXXVII! My name is Emmit DeHart, and I am very excited to be serving as the chair of the World Food Program (WFP) committee this year!

I am originally from Seattle, Washington (go Seahawks!), and I am currently in my Senior year at Yeshiva College. I am double-majoring in Political Science and History and plan to attend law school upon graduation. This will be my third YUNMUN; my first year at YUNMUN I served as the administrative assistant for UNICEF, and last year I was the chair of UNHRC. Outside of YUNMUN, I'm a writer for the YU Undergraduate Law Review, Co-president of YUPAC (Yeshiva University Political Action Committee), and Editor-in-Chief for the Chronos History Journal. Also, I am on the YU men's varsity fencing team (Go Macs!).

The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) is the world's leading humanitarian organization dedicated to fighting hunger and delivering emergency national aid during emergencies. Its responsibility is to save lives in emergencies and ensure that every individual has access to safe, sufficient, and nutritious food. As part of our mission, we investigate complex issues of hunger and food insecurity, and then draft resolutions that protect access to food and support the dignity of people around the world.

The first topic we will address at this year's conference is the hunger crisis in Sudan caused by the ongoing civil war. The conflict has led to widespread hunger and food insecurity. Fighting, mass displacement, and the destruction of farmland and supply chains have made it extremely difficult for millions of Sudanese to have safe access to food. As the civil war continues, it has also become increasingly difficult for humanitarian organizations to safely

deliver aid. The WFP is responsible for finding ways to reach those in need, protect aid workers and supply routes, and support Sudan's long-term food security.

The second issue we will discuss is the impact of artificial intelligence and large data centers on global food and water resources. As AI grows, more farmland and water are being used to build and cool massive data centers. Supporters argue that AI could eventually help solve global food shortages by discovering more efficient farming techniques. However, the rapid demand for and construction of new data facilities could put a major strain on usable farmland and water. The WFP is responsible for weighing the potential benefits of AI against its risks, and for ensuring that technological progress does not come at the expense of global food security.

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Please feel free to reach out any time with questions or comments (or to just say hi). I'm available via email at edehart@mail.yu.edu. Looking forward to an amazing conference!

Sincerely,

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