THE ROLE OF THE UN WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME (WFP) IN ADDRESSING THE FOOD CRISIS IN KENYA 2009-2013

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Abstract

This thesis discusses the role of the UN World Food Programme (WFP) in addressing the food crisis in Kenya in 2009-2013. Kenya is a country that is experiencing a food crisis impact on national food security. In 2009 the President of Kenya, Mwai Kibaki has declared the drought and famine as a national disaster and announced that there are about 10 million people in the food crisis and in need of emergency assistance. This thesis will be elaborated on the condition of the food crisis that is sweeping Kenya and how the actions of the government and WFP as a food crisis relief organizations to address this issue.

The concept of the food crisis, food security and international organizations are used in this problem, which is reinforced with a liberal approach to explain the role of international organizations to solve the problems that occur in the dynamics of international relations. To address those problems, the researcher uses a qualitative research method and in data collection, the researcher uses techniques of literature study (library research) and online research.

From the discussion of this paper, it is found that the WFP as food aid organizations have an important role to strive and to solve the food crisis in Kenya, either act as an arena or as an instrument. WFP programs that run in Kenya are to run activities (1) advocacy campaigns that focus on fund-raising and training; (2) a monitoring program to conduct food security program and outcome monitoring; (3) the role of facilitator to conduct the program Cash and Vouchers, Food Assistance For Assets (FFA), The Purchase for Progress (P4P) and Food for Support Children; and (4) function in consultation with the recommendation of state policy.