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“We have meanwhile set up a process and there are also independent institutions monitoring which objectives of our G7 meetings we actually achieve. When it comes to these goals we have a compliance rate of about 80%, according to the University of Toronto. Germany, with its 87%, comes off pretty well. That means that next year too, under the Japanese G7 presidency, we are going to check where we stand in comparison to what we have discussed with each other now. So a lot of what we have resolved to do here together is something that we are going to have to work very hard at over the next few months. But I think that it has become apparent that we, as the G7, want to assume responsibility far beyond the prosperity in our own countries. That’s why today’s outreach meetings, that is the meetings with our guests, were also of great importance.”

Chancellor Angela Merkel, Schloss Elmau, 8 June 2015

G7 summits are a moment for people to judge whether aspirational intent is met by concrete commitments. The G7 Research Group provides a report card on the implementation of G7 and G20 commitments. It is a good moment for the public to interact with leaders and say, you took a leadership position on these issues — a year later, or three years later, what have you accomplished?

Achim Steiner, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme,
in G7 Canada: The 2018 Charlevoix Summit

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9. Food and Agriculture: Global Food Security

“Noting that we have already exceeded our joint commitment of USD 14 billion to global food security, announced in Elmau in 2022, we remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine.”

Apulia G7 Leaders’ Communiqué

Assessment

	No Compliance	Partial Compliance	Full Compliance
Canada			+1
France		0	
Germany			+1
Italy			+1
Japan			+1
United Kingdom			+1
United States		0	
European Union			+1
Average	+0.75 (88%)		

Background

Global food security and nutrition has been a developmental concern for several decades with the Food and Agriculture Organization noting that an estimated 2.33 billion people experienced moderate or severe food insecurity in 2023.¹⁹⁶² Between 713 and 757 million people also experienced undernourishment, which is a form of malnutrition. Issues of food insecurity and malnutrition are exacerbated by climate change, conflict, the loss of biodiversity, economic vulnerability, the COVID-19 pandemic and most recently, Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine. Given the significance of these issues, G7 leaders have considered global food security to be a priority area at most summits since the early 1980’s. The G7 and World Bank also jointly launched the Global Alliance for Food Security during the German G7 Presidency in 2022, committing to address the global food security and nutrition crisis through coordinated action to consolidate data, “help Ukraine export agricultural goods,” prevent further hunger, enhance sustainable agricultural production and “provide regular agricultural market information.”¹⁹⁶³ Focusing on the need to address the global food security and nutrition crisis, G7 leaders reaffirmed their commitment towards this priority area at the 2024 Apulia Summit.

At the 1979 Tokyo Summit, the G7 first discussed the topic of food and agriculture, recognizing the need to increase cooperation with developing nations to overcome hunger and malnutrition.¹⁹⁶⁴

At the 1981 Ottawa Summit, G7 leaders recognized the need for greater world food security and enhanced food production in the developing world.¹⁹⁶⁵

At the 1985 Bonn Summit, G7 leaders committed to provide emergency food aid to famine and drought-stricken countries in Africa and agreed to enhance cooperation to support agricultural programs in Africa.¹⁹⁶⁶

¹⁹⁶² 2024 Global Report on Food Crises, Food Security Information Network and Global Network Against Food Crises (Rome) n.d. Access Date: 11 September 2024. <https://www.fsinplatform.org/grfc2024>

¹⁹⁶³ What is the Global Alliance for Food Security?, Global Alliance for Food Security (Berlin) n.d. Access Date: 11 September 2024. <https://www.gafs.info/about/>

¹⁹⁶⁴ Communiqué: Declaration, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 29 June 1979. Access Date: 9 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/1979tokyo/communique.html>

¹⁹⁶⁵ Declaration of the Ottawa Summit, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 21 July 1981. Access Date: 9 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/1981ottawa/communique/index.html>

¹⁹⁶⁶ The Bonn Economic Declaration: Towards Sustained Growth and Higher Employment, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 4 May 1985. Access Date: 11 September 2024.

G7 leaders also committed to increasing the supply of agricultural inputs such as seeds, fertilizers and pesticides to enhance food production.

At the 1987 Venice Summit, G7 leaders endorsed the work of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) to address agricultural production and reaffirmed their commitment to supporting the reform of agricultural policies as outlined in the OECD ministerial communiqué of May 13, 1987.¹⁹⁶⁷

At the 1988 Toronto Summit, G7 leaders acknowledged that solutions need to be developed to address food security and social concerns.¹⁹⁶⁸

At the 1990 Houston Summit, G7 leaders stated that the framework for agricultural negotiations should be equitable and consider concerns about food security.¹⁹⁶⁹

At the 1997 Denver Summit, G8 leaders pledged to provide official development assistance to sub-Saharan African countries to address food security, rural development, economic protection and other needs.¹⁹⁷⁰

At the 2000 Okinawa Summit, G8 leaders addressed the importance of biotechnology to ensure food safety and address global food security.¹⁹⁷¹ G8 leaders committed to supporting biotechnology capacities, research and development and information sharing.

At the 2001 Genoa Summit, G8 leaders committed to supporting rural development and agriculture and ensuring adequate access to food supplies as part of their poverty reduction strategy.¹⁹⁷² G8 leaders pledged to focus on the most food-insecure regions for this commitment.

At the 2003 Evian Summit, G8 leaders committed to provide emergency food aid to Africa and discussed ways to alleviate the threat of famine and improve long-term food security.¹⁹⁷³

At the 2004 Sea Island Summit, G8 leaders recognized the need for multi-sector public-private partnerships to address global food insecurity, malnutrition and famine.¹⁹⁷⁴ G8 leaders also committed to increasing institutional capacities in agricultural science and technology to support food insecure countries, particularly in Africa.

At the 2008 Hokkaido Toyoko Summit, G8 leaders highlighted the need for coordinated international action to address food insecurity and the global food crisis.¹⁹⁷⁵ In this regard, G8 leaders committed to remove export restrictions on food commodities while developing open and efficient agricultural and food markets and agreed

¹⁹⁶⁷ Venezia Economic Declaration, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 10 June 1987. Access Date: 9 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/1987venice/communique/index.html>

¹⁹⁶⁸ Toronto Economic Summit Economic Declaration, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 21 June 1988. Access Date: 9 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/1988toronto/communique.html>

¹⁹⁶⁹ Houston Economic Declaration, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 10 July 1990. Access Date: 9 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/1990houston/declaration.html>

¹⁹⁷⁰ Communiqué, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 22 June 1997. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/1997denver/g8final.htm>

¹⁹⁷¹ G8 Communiqué Okinawa 2000, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 23 July 2000. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2000okinawa/finalcom.htm>

¹⁹⁷² Final Communiqué, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 22 July 2001. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2001genoa/finalcommunique.html>

¹⁹⁷³ Chair's Summary, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 3 June 2003. Access Date: 10 September 2024. https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2003evian/communique_en.html

¹⁹⁷⁴ Ending the Cycle of Famine in the Horn of Africa, Raising Agricultural Productivity and Promoting Rural Development in Food Insecure Countries, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 10 June 2004. Access Date: 11 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2004seaisland/famine.htm>

¹⁹⁷⁵ G8 Leaders Statement on Global Food Security, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 8 July 2008. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2008hokkaido/2008-food.html>

to take action to enhance agricultural productivity. G8 leaders also committed to reforming the Food and Agriculture Organization “to enhance its effectiveness in helping to ensure food security for all.”

At the 2009 L'Aquila Summit, G8 members agreed to put food security and agriculture at the forefront of their international agenda, committing to increase sustainable food production and agriculture.¹⁹⁷⁶ The G8 also launched the L'Aquila Food Security Initiative to enhance global food security, nutrition and sustainable agriculture through international partnerships, targeted investments, development assistance and efficient markets.¹⁹⁷⁷

At the 2010 Muskoka Summit, G8 leaders reaffirmed their commitment towards global food security and sustainable agriculture production.¹⁹⁷⁸ G8 leaders also noted that USD22 billion had been mobilized for sustainable agriculture as part of the L'Aquila Food Security Initiative and shared that the initiative's primary outcome was reduced malnutrition.

At the 2011 Deauville Summit, G8 leaders encouraged bilateral and multilateral responses to address food security and sustainable agricultural production. G8 leaders also endorsed the Deauville Accountability Report which documents the G8's actions and funding for health and food security.¹⁹⁷⁹

At the 2012 Camp David Summit, G8 leaders recognized an enhanced commitment towards global food security and reaffirmed their commitment to supporting food security through bilateral and multilateral responses.¹⁹⁸⁰ G8 leaders also launched the New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition to enhance sustainable agriculture in Africa.

At the 2013 Lough Erne Summit, the G8 leaders reaffirmed their commitment to support sustainable global food and nutrition security and to make progress to the New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition.¹⁹⁸¹ G8 members also expanded the New Alliance to include Nigeria, Benin and Malawi and began developing a new Cooperation Framework with Senegal to boost smallholder farmers and support agricultural development activities in low-income countries.

At the 2014 Brussels Summit, the G7 leaders reiterated their commitment to supporting global food security and nutrition, the New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition and the Global Agriculture and Food Security Programme.¹⁹⁸²

At the 2015 Elmau Summit, G7 leaders committed “to lift 500 million people in developing countries out of hunger and malnutrition by 2030” as part of the Post-2015 Development Agenda.¹⁹⁸³ To support this goal, G7 leaders shared the G7 Broad Food Security and Nutrition Development Approach.

¹⁹⁷⁶ Chair's Summary, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 10 July 2009. Access Date: 10 September 2024.

<https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2009laquila/2009-summary.html>

¹⁹⁷⁷ L'Aquila Joint Statement on Global Food Security: L'Aquila Food Security Initiative (AFSI), G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 9 July 2009. Access Date: 11 September 2024. <http://www.g8.utoronto.ca/summit/2009laquila/2009-food.html>

¹⁹⁷⁸ Muskoka Declaration: Recovery and New Beginnings, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 26 June 2010. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2010muskoka/communique.html>

¹⁹⁷⁹ G8 Declaration: Renewed Commitment for Freedom and Democracy, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 27 May 2011. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2011deauville/2011-declaration-en.html>

¹⁹⁸⁰ Camp David Declaration, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 19 May 2012. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2012campdavid/g8-declaration.html>

¹⁹⁸¹ G8 Lough Erne Leaders Communiqué, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 18 June 2013. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2013lougherne/lough-erne-communique.html>

¹⁹⁸² G7 Brussels Summit Declaration, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 June 2014. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2014brussels/declaration.html>

¹⁹⁸³ Leaders' Declaration: G7 Summit, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 8 June 2015. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2015elmau/2015-G7-declaration-en.html>

At the 2016 Ise-Shima Summit, G7 leaders committed to enhanced cooperation to achieve the goal of lifting 500 million people in developing countries out of hunger and malnutrition by 2030.¹⁹⁸⁴ G7 members also expanded the G7 Broad Food Security and Nutrition Development Approach by endorsing the G7 Vision for Action on Food Security and Nutrition which focuses on empowering women, enhancing nutrition by addressing diverse food security challenges and promoting sustainability and resilience in agricultural systems.

At the 2017 Taormina Summit, G7 leaders reaffirmed previous commitment to lift 500 million people in developing countries out of hunger and nutrition by 2030 while recognizing the rise of food insecurity in South Sudan, Somalia, Yemen and northeastern Nigeria.¹⁹⁸⁵ G7 leaders also acknowledged the international dimension of the global food security and nutrition crisis and pledged to increase support for sub-Saharan Africa in this regard.

At the 2021 Cornwall Summit, G7 leaders reaffirmed their commitment towards food security and recognized the rise of poverty, hunger and malnutrition globally, exacerbated by climate change, economic shocks and the COVID-19 pandemic.¹⁹⁸⁶ G7 leaders endorsed the G7 Famine Prevention and Humanitarian Crises Compact to address these issues and reaffirmed their commitment to provide USD7 billion in humanitarian aid.

At the 2022 Elmau Summit, G7 leaders committed to addressing the global food security crisis in part through the launch of the Global Alliance for Food Security which will enhance international partnerships to address global food insecurity.¹⁹⁸⁷ G7 members also pledged “an additional USD4.5 billion to protect the most vulnerable from hunger and malnutrition” and committed to supporting Ukrainian agriculture and promoting fair trade practices.

At the 2023 Hiroshima Summit, G7 leaders launched the Hiroshima Action Statement for Resilient Global Food Security to address current and future food insecurity issues.¹⁹⁸⁸ Recognizing the worsening global food security and nutrition crisis, G7 leaders committed to provide USD21 billion in funding over the year to address humanitarian crises including the food crisis.

At the 2024 Apulia Summit, leaders committed to “remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine.”¹⁹⁸⁹

Commitment Features

Given the “global” emphasis of the commitment on addressing the food and security nutrition crisis made at the Apulia Summit, only international actions contribute to compliance.

Definitions and Concepts

“Steadfast” is understood to mean “staying the same for a long time; not changing or losing purpose.”¹⁹⁹⁰

¹⁹⁸⁴ G7 Ise-Shima Leaders' Declaration, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 27 May 2016. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2016shima/ise-shima-declaration-en.html>

¹⁹⁸⁵ G7 Taormina Leaders' Communiqué, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 27 May 2017. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2017taormina/communique.html>

¹⁹⁸⁶ Carbis Bay G7 Summit Communiqué: Our Shared Agenda for Global Action to Build Back Better, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 13 June 2021. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2021cornwall/210613-communique.html>

¹⁹⁸⁷ G7 Statement on Global Food Security, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 28 June 2022. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2022elmau/220628-food-security.html>

¹⁹⁸⁸ G7 Hiroshima Leaders' Communiqué, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 20 May 2023. Access Date: 10 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2023hiroshima/230520-communique.html>

¹⁹⁸⁹ Apulia G7 Leaders' Communiqué, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 14 June 2024. Access Date: 5 September 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2024apulia/240614-apulia-communique.html>

¹⁹⁹⁰ Steadfast, Cambridge Dictionary (Cambridge) n.d. Access date: 6 September 2024. <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/steadfast>

“Address” is understood to mean “to give attention to or deal with a matter or problem.”¹⁹⁹¹

“The global food security and nutrition crisis” is understood to entail the “joint warning” issued by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and World Food Programme (WFP), regarding escalating food insecurity.¹⁹⁹² The report highlighted Mali, the Palestinian Territories, South Sudan, Sudan, and Haiti as “highest concern” areas, and indicated Yemen, Chad, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Myanmar, and Syria as “high concern” areas, and Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, the Central African Republic, Somalia, Ethiopia, Lebanon, Nigeria and the region of Malawi, Mozambique, Zambia and Zimbabwe as lower risk “hotspots.” The report expresses these regions as “experiencing famine or are at severe risk, requiring urgent action to prevent catastrophic conditions.” The FAO-WFP added Kenya, Lesotho, Namibia and Niger as hotspot areas for November 2024 to May 2025.¹⁹⁹³

“Aggravate” is understood to mean “to make a bad situation worse.”¹⁹⁹⁴

“Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine” is understood to mean the continuing war caused by Russian Federation’s unprovoked invasion of Ukraine on 24 February 2022.¹⁹⁹⁵

General Interpretive Guidelines

Compliance is based on “addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis” as defined in terms of the FAO-WFP Hunger Hotspots reports.

Full compliance, or a score of +1, will be assigned to G7 members that take strong actions to address the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis in at least three of the five areas of highest concern and at least 10 of the 20 areas of very high concern and hotspots.

Strong actions include financial support or direct food donation efforts to address the escalating food and nutrition crisis internationally, treatment or allocation of medical staff to address malnutrition related conditions, joint partnerships to strengthen local food production, funding to enhance agricultural productivity or prevent food loss and waste, funding sustainable and climate-resilient agriculture, investments in agricultural equipment and actions to address the food supply chain disruptions caused by the Russian invasion of Ukraine and actions to address food price volatility.

Partial compliance, or a score of 0, will be assigned to G7 members that take strong action in one or two areas of highest concern or between one and nine of the 20 areas of very high concern and hotspots, or weak action in 12 or more areas. Weak actions include verbal affirmations of support or attending diplomatic meetings or summits that discuss the global food security and nutrition crisis.

Non-compliance, or a score of –1, will be assigned if the G7 member does not take action to address the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis or has taken only weak action in fewer than 12 of the 25 areas of highest concern or very high concern or hotspots.

¹⁹⁹¹ Compliance Coding Manual for International Institutional Commitments, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 12 November 2020. Access Date: 7 September 2024. https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/compliance/Compliance_Coding_Manual_2020.pdf

¹⁹⁹² World Bank Group, Food Security Update | World Bank Response to Rising Food Insecurity (Washington D.C.) 1 July 2024. Access Date: 6 September 2024. <https://www.worldbank.org/en/topic/agriculture/brief/food-security-update>

¹⁹⁹³ Hunger Hotspots FAO–WFP Early Warnings on Acute Food Insecurity November 2024 to May 2025 Outlook, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Food Programme (Rome) 2024. Access Date: 15 November 2024. https://www.fightfoodcrises.net/sites/default/files/resource/file/HH_Nov24-May25_FINAL.pdf

¹⁹⁹⁴ Aggravate, Cambridge Dictionary (Cambridge) n.d. Access date: 6 September 2024. <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/english/aggravate>

¹⁹⁹⁵ The UN and the War in Ukraine, United Nations Regional Information Centre for Western Europe (Brussels) 9 March 2022. Access date: 8 September 2024. <https://unric.org/en/the-un-and-the-war-in-ukraine-key-information/>

Scoring Guidelines

-1	The G7 member has not taken any action or has taken only weak action to address the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis in fewer than 12 of the 25 areas of “highest concern” or “very high concern” or hotspots.
0	The G7 member has taken strong action to address the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis in one or two of five areas of highest concern or between one and nine of the 20 areas of very high concern and hotspots, or weak action in 12 or more areas.
+1	The G7 member has taken strong actions to address the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis in at least three of the five areas of highest concern and at least 10 of the 20 areas of very high concern and hotspots[.].

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Canada: +1

Canada has fully complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine.

On 19 June 2024, Director General at Global Affairs Canada Cam Do and the Global Environmental Facility Council approved USD35.3 million in funding through the Least Developed Country Fund to projects addressing the global food security crisis.¹⁹⁹⁶ These projects include increasing food security and nutrition in Angola, scaling-up agricultural nature-based solutions to improve food security in Sierra Leone and improving climate data systems that ensure food security and sustainable livelihoods for over 1.5 million people in Tanzania.

On 2 July 2024, Canada, the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Executive Board and Malawi inaugurated a USD58 million programme for agricultural development, enhancing agricultural production and increasing food security in this hotspot region.¹⁹⁹⁷

On 23 September 2024, G7 foreign ministers reiterated their support of humanitarian aid to Ukraine, Gaza and Sudan.¹⁹⁹⁸ Members also expressed their commitment to cooperation with African states to improve food security and agricultural productivity.

On 28 September 2024, Minister of International Development Ahmed Hussen announced CAD10 million in humanitarian assistance to address urgent needs including food, water and protection services for civilians in Lebanon.¹⁹⁹⁹ This funding addresses the global food security crisis in a hotspot region.

¹⁹⁹⁶ Work Program for Least Developed Country Fund, Global Environmental Facility (Washington D.C.) 19 June 2024. Access Date: 27 September 2024. https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/documents/2024-05/EN_GEF.LDCF_SCCF_C.36.03.Rev_01_Work%20Program_LDCF.pdf

¹⁹⁹⁷ New US\$53 million agricultural development programme launched in Malawi to combat food insecurity, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 2 July 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/new-us-53-million-agricultural-development-programme-launched-in-malawi-to-combat-food-insecurity>

¹⁹⁹⁸ Foreign Ministers’ Chair’s Statement (New York) 23 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/240923-statement.html>

¹⁹⁹⁹ Canada provides funding for humanitarian needs in Lebanon, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 28 September 2024. Access Date: 18 October 2024. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2024/09/canada-provides-funding-for-humanitarian-needs-in-lebanon.html>

On 9 October 2024, Minister Hussen allocated CAD15 million in funding for humanitarian assistance in Lebanon.²⁰⁰⁰ This funding supports food security in the hotspot region by enabling Canadian and international organizations to deliver food, water and critical assistance to civilians.

On 17 October 2024, Canada, the United Kingdom, the US Agency for International Development, Norway, Sweden, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland, France and the European Commissioner for Crisis Management released a joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan.²⁰⁰¹ The joint statement called for immediate, coordinated assistance to address a humanitarian crisis marked by food insecurity and famine. It also highlighted famine conditions in Zamzam camp for displaced people, an elevated famine risk in South Kordofan and a severe food crisis in Darfur.

On 18 October 2024, Minister Hussen concluded a two-day visit to Türkiye and the United Arab Emirates during which he met with humanitarian partners to discuss aid delivery to Lebanon, Gaza and the West Bank during growing conflicts and famine in the region.²⁰⁰² This action addresses the food security crisis in one hotspot and one highest concern hotspot region.

On 22 October 2024, G7 development ministers adopted a joint statement at the G7 Development Meeting in Italy.²⁰⁰³ The ministers reaffirmed their support for the G7 Apulia Initiative which works towards establishing sustainable, resilient and inclusive food systems and for the Innovation Challenge project which aims to combat malnutrition.

On 24 October 2024, FinDev Canada was among the G7 public development banks that joined development financial institutions in a Collaborative on Sustainable Food Systems.²⁰⁰⁴ This collaborative aims to strengthen cooperation and private sector participation in enhancing food security within global emerging markets.

On 25 October 2024, Canada provided CAD45 million to the World Food Programme to address the nutrition crisis in Haiti.²⁰⁰⁵ The funding aims to enable 100,000 school children to receive daily meals.

On 6 November 2024, Canada alongside the Executive Board of the International Fund for Agricultural Development and Sierra Leone signed a USD105 million agreement for the Livestock and Livelihoods

²⁰⁰⁰ Canada announces \$15 million in additional assistance for Lebanon and matching of donations to Canadian Red Cross and Humanitarian Coalition, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 9 October 2024. Access Date: 23 October 2024.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2024/10/canada-announces-15-million-in-additional-assistance-for-lebanon-and-matching-of-donations-to-canadian-red-cross-and-humanitarian-coalition.html>

²⁰⁰¹ Joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan by the UK, USAID, Norway, Sweden, France, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland, Canada and the European Commissioner for Crisis Management, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 17 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/sudan/news/article/joint-donor-statement-on-humanitarian-access-in-sudan-by-the-uk-usaid-norway>

²⁰⁰² Minister Hussen concludes visit to Türkiye and United Arab Emirates focused on Canada's humanitarian assistance, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 18 October 2024. Access Date: 21 November 2024. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2024/10/minister-hussen-concludes-visit-to-turkiye-and-united-arab-emirates-focused-on-canadas-humanitarian-assistance.html>

²⁰⁰³ Mr Thani Mohamed-Soilihi, Minister of State for Francophonie and International Partnerships, attended the G7 Development Meeting in Pescara, Italy, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/summits-and-global-affairs/france-s-action-in-the-g7/article/mr-thani-mohamed-soilihi-minister-of-state-for-francophonie-and-international>

²⁰⁰⁴ G7 financial institutions team up for sustainable food systems, European Investment Bank (Pescara) 24 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2024-390-g7-financial-institutions-team-up-for-sustainable-food-systems>

²⁰⁰⁵ Canada and WFP join forces to provide school meals to 100,000 students over five years in Haiti, World Food Programme (Port-au-Prince) 25 October 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/canada-and-wfp-join-forces-provide-school-meals-100000-students-over-five-years-haiti>

Development Project over eight years.²⁰⁰⁶ This project supports local farmers while enhancing food security and sustainable development in Sierra Leone, a hotspot region.

On 18 November 2024, the G20 officially launched the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty at the G20 Summit in Rio de Janeiro.²⁰⁰⁷ The Global Alliance will work to “eradicate hunger and poverty” by 2030 while supporting sustainable development and reducing inequalities, with Canada as one of 148 founding members. Beneficiary members of the Alliance include Mali, Palestine and Haiti which are highest concern areas, Chad and Myanmar which are high concern areas and Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Somalia, Ethiopia, Lebanon and Mozambique which are hotspot areas.

On 21 November 2024, FinDev Canada announced a USD75 million contribution to a USD394 sustainability-linked loan for agriculture in Africa. The Eastern and Southern African Trade and Development Bank (TDB) and the Dutch Entrepreneurial Development Bank arrange the loans. TDB’s member countries, benefiting from the loan, include two highest concern areas: Sudan and South Sudan, one high concern area: The Democratic Republic of Congo and six hotspot areas, Somalia, Ethiopia, Malawi, Mozambique, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.²⁰⁰⁸

On 26 November 2024, G7 Foreign Ministers released a statement condemning the increase in Russian attacks in the Black Sea region which impact global food security.²⁰⁰⁹ The ministers also welcomed the “Food for Gaza” initiative, acknowledged the importance of humanitarian aid to address food insecurity in Gaza, encouraged the launch of the G7 Apulia Food Systems Initiative to address food insecurity and fight child malnutrition in Africa, expressed concern about rising food insecurity in Haiti and encouraged increased humanitarian aid to help the Haitian people.

On 29 November 2024, Minister Hussen announced an additional CAD50 million in funding for humanitarian aid in Gaza and the West Bank.²⁰¹⁰ This funding addresses the global food security crisis in a highest concern hotspot region by delivering emergency medical, food and water aid to civilians.

On 6 January 2025, Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, the European Union and six other countries issued a joint statement condemning the humanitarian crisis in Myanmar.²⁰¹¹ The statement called for an end to violence, respect for international law and full humanitarian access.

²⁰⁰⁶ IFAD and Sierra Leone partner to boost farm productivity with Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 6 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/ifad-and-sierra-leone-partner-to-boost-farm-productivity-with-livestock-and-livelihoods-development-project>

²⁰⁰⁷ World Leaders Launch the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty (Rio de Janeiro) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://globalallianceagainsthungerandpoverty.org/new/world-leaders-launch-the-global-alliance-against-hunger-and-poverty-2/>

²⁰⁰⁸ Members, The Eastern and Southern African Trade and Development Bank (Bujumbura) n.d. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.tdbgroup.org/members/>

²⁰⁰⁹ G7 Foreign Ministers’ Meeting Statement (Fiuggi-Anagni, Italy) 26 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/241126-statement.html>

²⁰¹⁰ Minister Hussen announces \$50 million for humanitarian assistance in Gaza and West Bank, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 29 November 2024. Access Date: 3 December 2024. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2024/11/minister-hussen-announces-50-million-for-humanitarian-assistance-in-gaza-and-west-bank.html>

²⁰¹¹ Joint statement on the human rights and humanitarian situation in Myanmar, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 6 January 2025. Access Date: 18 February 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/01/joint-statement-on-the-human-rights-and-humanitarian-situation-in-myanmar.html>

On 13 January 2025, Minister Hussen announced CAD17.25 million in funding for humanitarian aid in Syria.²⁰¹² This funding provides clean food, water, protection services, sanitation and health services to civilians in this high concern hotspot.

On 31 January 2025, Canada released a joint statement with Australia, the United States, the European Union, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom calling for de-escalation of violence and full humanitarian access in Myanmar.²⁰¹³ In their statement, the allies recognized the acute food crisis in the region.

On 6 February 2025, Minister Hussen announced a CAD360.6 million contribution to Nutrition International, a Canadian-founded non-profit that tackles malnutrition and vitamin deficiency globally.²⁰¹⁴ This funding supports programs enhancing nutrition in Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia, thus addressing the food security crisis in those regions, including several highest concern, high concern and hotspot regions.

On 7 February 2025, Minister of Foreign Affairs Mélanie Joly allocated CAD100.7 million in humanitarian funding to Sudan and neighbouring Central African Republic, Chad, Ethiopia and South Sudan to address urgent needs for food, water and medical care.²⁰¹⁵ This funding addresses the food security crisis in two highest concern regions, two high concern regions and one global hotspot.

On 7 February 2025, Minister Hussen allocated CAD248.2 million in funding to fourteen new international development projects, enhancing healthcare strength and resilience in vulnerable regions.²⁰¹⁶ This funding addresses the global food security crisis by preventing malnutrition.

On 15 February 2025, Minister Hussen announced CAD56.8 million in funding for development and humanitarian projects for the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and broader Indo-Pacific region.²⁰¹⁷ This includes initiatives to address food security in the Association and region which includes Myanmar.

On 21 February 2025, Minister Hussen announced CAD7 million in humanitarian aid, including food and nutrition supports, for Haiti.²⁰¹⁸

²⁰¹² Minister Hussen announces humanitarian assistance for Syria following visit to Middle East, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 13 January 2025. Access Date: 18 February 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/01/minister-hussen-announces-humanitarian-assistance-for-syria-following-visit-to-middle-east.html>

²⁰¹³ Four Years from the Military Coup in Myanmar: Joint Statement by Australia, Canada, the European Union, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 31 January 2025. Access Date: 22 February 2025. <https://www.state.gov/four-years-from-the-military-coup-in-myanmar-joint-statement-by-australia-canada-the-european-union-the-republic-of-korea-new-zealand-norway-switzerland-the-united-kingdom-and-the-united-state/>

²⁰¹⁴ Minister Hussen announces \$360.6 million for global efforts to eliminate malnutrition, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 6 February 2025. Access Date: 26 February 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/02/minister-hussen-announces-3606-million-for-global-efforts-to-eliminate-malnutrition.html>

²⁰¹⁵ Minister Joly announces additional sanctions in response to ongoing conflict in Sudan, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 7 February 2025. Access Date: 26 February 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/02/minister-joly-announces-additional-sanctions-in-response-to-ongoing-conflict-in-sudan.html>

²⁰¹⁶ Minister Hussen announces new projects to strengthen health systems that reach the poorest and most vulnerable, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 7 February 2025. Access Date: 26 February 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/02/minister-hussen-announces-new-projects-to-strengthen-health-systems-that-reach-the-poorest-and-most-vulnerable.html>

²⁰¹⁷ Minister Hussen announces support to strengthen Canada's development partnerships in Indo-Pacific region, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 15 February 2025. Access Date: 14 March 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/02/minister-hussen-announces-support-to-strengthen-canadas-development-partnerships-in-indo-pacific-region.html>

²⁰¹⁸ Minister Hussen announces new funding for multiple countries in the Caribbean, Global Affairs Canada (Bridgetown) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 11 May 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/02/backgrounder-minister-hussen-announces-new-funding-for-multiple-countries-in-the-caribbean.html>

On 20 March 2025, Minister Joly announced CAD99 million in funding directed towards the United Nations, World Bank, Red Cross and other non-governmental organizations to support humanitarian efforts in Gaza and the West Bank.²⁰¹⁹ Of this, CAD24.5 million will go towards food, shelter and other key needs.

On 21 March 2025, Minister Joly announced over CAD116 million in humanitarian, development and peace funding for Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo.²⁰²⁰ This funding includes CAD75 million for Sudan and over CAD41 million for Congo, providing humanitarian assistance, food and water protection services and developmental assistance in one highest concern hotspot and one high concern hotspot.

On 21 March 2025, Minister Joly announced CAD29.7 million in funding to Lebanon amidst the conflict between Israel and Hezbollah.²⁰²¹ This funding provides essential aid to the region, including food, healthcare, shelter and clean water.

On 4 April 2025, Global Affairs Canada announced CAD9.75 million in funding for humanitarian assistance after an earthquake in Myanmar on 28 March 2025.²⁰²² Of this, CAD2 million directly supports the World Food Programme.

Canada has fully complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine. Canada has taken strong action to address the global food security and nutrition crisis in four highest concern areas: Haiti, the Palestinian Territories, Sudan and South Sudan; four high concern areas: Syria, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Chad and Myanmar; and eight hotspot areas: Lebanon, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Ethiopia, Malawi, Mozambique, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Canada also taken strong action to address global food insecurity across sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia through funding to Nutrition International and across the globe more broadly through several development projects.

Thus, Canada receives a score of +1.

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France: 0

France has partially complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine.

On 19 June 2024, Senior Advisor for Climate and Environment at the French Ministry for Economy, Finance and Industrial and Digital Sovereignty Stephane Cieniewski and the Global Environmental Facility Council approved USD35.3 million in funding through the Least Developed Country Fund to projects addressing the global food security crisis.²⁰²³ These projects include increasing food security and nutrition in Angola, scaling-

²⁰¹⁹ Minister Joly announces assistance for people in Gaza and West Bank, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 20 March 2025. Access Date: 10 April 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/03/minister-joly-announces-assistance-for-people-in-gaza-and-west-bank.html>

²⁰²⁰ Canada provides funding to respond to crises in Sudan and Democratic Republic of Congo, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 21 March 2025. Access Date: 10 April 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/03/canada-provides-funding-to-respond-to-crises-in-sudan-and-democratic-republic-of-congo.html>

²⁰²¹ Canada provides funding for humanitarian needs in Lebanon, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 21 March 2025. Access Date: 10 April 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/03/canada-provides-funding-for-humanitarian-needs-in-lebanon.html>

²⁰²² Canada providing assistance in response to earthquake's devastation in Myanmar, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 4 April 2025. Access Date: 29 April 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/04/canada-providing-assistance-in-response-to-earthquakes-devastation-in-myanmar.html>

²⁰²³ Work Program for Least Developed Country Fund, Global Environmental Facility (Washington D.C.) 19 June 2024. Access Date: 27 September 2024. https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/documents/2024-05/EN_GEF.LDCF_SCCF_C.36.03.Rev_.01_Work%20Program_LDCF.pdf

up agricultural nature-based solutions to improve food security in Sierra Leone and improving climate data systems that ensure food security and sustainable livelihoods for over 1.5 million people in Tanzania.

On 21 June 2024, the French Development Agency signed a memorandum of understanding with INNOVX to advance the AgriFinance Platform and sustainable agriculture in Africa.²⁰²⁴

On 2 July 2024, France alongside the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Executive Board and Malawi inaugurated a USD58 million programme for agricultural development, enhancing agricultural production and increasing food security in this hotspot region.²⁰²⁵

On 19 July 2024, the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs and other European countries co-financed a shipment of 1,000 tonnes of flour from Ukraine to Gaza for Palestinian civilians.²⁰²⁶ This shipment supports the wider collaborative effort between France, Ukraine, the World Food Programme (WFP) and the Grain from Ukraine program to reduce food insecurity and the humanitarian crisis in the Palestinian Territories, a highest concern hotspot region.

On 30 August 2024, the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs condemned Israel's attack on a WFP vehicle in Gaza on 28 August 2024 which led to the suspension of WFP activities in the Gaza Strip and aggravated the food security crisis in a highest concern hotspot.²⁰²⁷

On 23 September 2024, G7 foreign ministers reiterated their support of humanitarian aid to Ukraine, Gaza and Sudan.²⁰²⁸ Members also expressed their commitment to cooperation with African states to improve food security and agricultural productivity.

On 16 October 2024, the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs celebrated World Food Day by announcing that Paris will host the 2025 Nutrition for Growth summit which aims to mobilize the international community to address malnutrition.²⁰²⁹ The Ministry also reaffirmed its commitment to aid the worsening food crisis in conflict zones, particularly in Gaza and Sudan, through international funding and food aid projects. The Ministry reiterated France's role as a leading funder of the Grain from Ukraine program which aims to cope with the impact of Russia's war on Ukraine on rising food insecurity in Somalia, Yemen, Palestine, Djibouti, Malawi and Zambia. These actions signify France's commitment to addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis.

On 17 October 2024, France, Canada, the United Kingdom, the US Agency for International Development, Norway, Sweden, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland and the European Commissioner for Crisis

²⁰²⁴ Le groupe AFD et INNOVX signent un protocole d'accord pour promouvoir une agriculture durable en Afrique., Agence Française de Développement (Paris) 21 June 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.afd.fr/fr/carte-des-projets/projet-r2d2-reponses-risques-pour-developpement-durable>

²⁰²⁵ New US\$53 million agricultural development programme launched in Malawi to combat food insecurity, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 2 July 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/new-us-53-million-agricultural-development-programme-launched-in-malawi-to-combat-food-insecurity>

²⁰²⁶ Israel / Palestinian Territories – Grain from Ukraine program, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 19 July 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/israel-palestinian-territories/news/2024/article/israel-palestinian-territories-grain-from-ukraine-program-19-jul-2024>

²⁰²⁷ Israel/Palestinian Territories, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 30 August 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/israel-palestinian-territories/news/2024/article/israel-palestinian-territories-30-aug-2024>

²⁰²⁸ Foreign Ministers' Chair's Statement (New York) 23 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/240923-statement.html>

²⁰²⁹ World Food Day, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/development-assistance/events-and-news/2024/article/world-food-day-october-16-2024>

Management released a joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan.²⁰³⁰ The joint statement called for immediate, coordinated assistance to address a humanitarian crisis marked by food insecurity and famine. It also highlighted famine conditions in Zamzam camp for displaced people, an elevated famine risk in South Kordofan and a severe food crisis in Darfur.

On 24 October 2024, President Emmanuel Macron and the United Nations hosted the International Conference in Support of Lebanon's People and Sovereignty.²⁰³¹ As part of the United Nations' USD1 billion commitment for aid, France pledged to raise EUR100 million and provide 100 tonnes of humanitarian freight for Lebanon. These actions address the food security crisis in a hotspot region.

On 22 October 2024, Minister of State for Francophonie and International Partnerships Thani Mohamed-Soilihi reaffirmed France's commitment to global food security and adopted a joint statement on the priorities of the G7 and France at the G7 Development Meeting in Italy.²⁰³² These priorities include support for the G7 Apulia Initiative which works towards establishing sustainable, resilient and inclusive food systems and support of the Innovation Challenge project which aims to combat malnutrition.

On 24 October 2024, the French Development Agency joined the G7 Public Development Banks and Development Financial Institutions in a Collaborative on Sustainable Food Systems.²⁰³³ This collaborative aims to strengthen cooperation and private sector participation in enhancing food security within global emerging markets.

On 29 October 2024, France criticized the Israeli Parliament's adopted laws banning the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees in the Near East from operating in Israel, consequently exacerbating the food security and humanitarian crisis in the Palestinian Territories, a highest concern hotspot region.²⁰³⁴

On 1 November 2024, France delivered 29 tonnes of food aid to Lebanon, a hotspot area.²⁰³⁵

On 6 November 2024, France alongside the IFAD Executive Board and Sierra Leone signed a USD105 million agreement for the Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project over eight years.²⁰³⁶ This project supports local farmers while enhancing food security and sustainable development in Sierra Leone, a hotspot region.

²⁰³⁰ Joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan by the UK, USAID, Norway, Sweden, France, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland, Canada and the European Commissioner for Crisis Management, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 17 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/sudan/news/article/joint-donor-statement-on-humanitarian-access-in-sudan-by-the-uk-usaid-norway>

²⁰³¹ International Conference in Support of Lebanon's People and Sovereignty, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 24 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/lebanon/news/article/international-conference-in-support-of-lebanon-s-people-and-sovereignty-paris>

²⁰³² Mr Thani Mohamed-Soilihi, Minister of State for Francophonie and International Partnerships, attended the G7 Development Meeting in Pescara, Italy, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/summits-and-global-affairs/france-s-action-in-the-g7/article/mr-thani-mohamed-soilihi-minister-of-state-for-francophonie-and-international>

²⁰³³ G7 financial institutions team up for sustainable food systems, European Investment Bank (Pescara) 24 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2024-390-g7-financial-institutions-team-up-for-sustainable-food-systems>

²⁰³⁴ Israel / Palestinian Territories – Laws passed by the Israeli Parliament banning UNRWA's activities in Israel, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/israel-palestinian-territories/news/2024/article/israel-palestinian-territories-laws-passed-by-the-israeli-parliament-banning>

²⁰³⁵ Lebanon - Emergency humanitarian aid from France (13 December 2024), Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires étrangères (Paris) 13 December 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/lebanon/news/article/lebanon-emergency-humanitarian-aid-from-france-13-dec-2024>

²⁰³⁶ IFAD and Sierra Leone partner to boost farm productivity with Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 6 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/ifad-and-sierra-leone-partner-to-boost-farm-productivity-with-livestock-and-livelihoods-development-project>

On 7 November 2024, the WFP announced the delivery of 19,200 metric tons of maize through the “Grain for Ukraine” program to address food insecurity in Malawi amidst drought due to El Niño.²⁰³⁷ This initiative was enabled by USD15 million in funding from France, Korea, the Netherlands and Sweden.

On 13 November 2024, France contributed EUR3 million to the WFP to support food security in Afghanistan.²⁰³⁸

On 18 November 2024, the G20 officially launched the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty at the G20 Summit in Rio de Janeiro.²⁰³⁹ The Global Alliance will work to “eradicate hunger and poverty” by 2030 while supporting sustainable development and reducing inequalities, with France as one of 148 founding members. Beneficiary members of the Alliance include Mali, Palestine and Haiti which are highest concern areas, Chad and Myanmar which are high concern areas and Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Somalia, Ethiopia, Lebanon and Mozambique which are hotspot areas.

On 18 November 2024, Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs Jean-Noël Barrot announced a 32 tonne humanitarian aid delivery including food to Lebanon, a hotspot area amended to a high concern area for the May to November outlook.²⁰⁴⁰

On 25 November 2024, the French Development Agency, its subsidiaries, and the Centre for International Cooperation in Agricultural Research for Development signed a partnership agreement to advance sustainable agriculture in developing countries.²⁰⁴¹

On 26 November 2024, G7 Foreign Ministers released a statement condemning the increase in Russian attacks in the Black Sea region which impact global food security.²⁰⁴² the Ministers also welcomed the “Food for Gaza” initiative, acknowledged the importance of humanitarian aid to address food insecurity in Gaza, encouraged the launch of the G7 Apulia Food Systems Initiative to address food insecurity and fight child malnutrition in Africa, expressed concern about rising food insecurity in Haiti and encouraged increased humanitarian aid to help The Haitian people.

On 13 December 2024, the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs delivered 39 tonnes in humanitarian aid including food to Lebanon, a high concern region.²⁰⁴³

²⁰³⁷ “Grain from Ukraine” maize arrives in Malawi to support drought-stricken communities, World Food Programme (Blantyre) 7 November 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.wfp.org/news/grain-ukraine-maize-arrives-malawi-support-drought-stricken-communities>

²⁰³⁸ France commits €3 million to WFP's efforts to improve nutrition among Afghan mothers and children, World Food Programme (Rome) 13 November 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/france-commits-eu3-million-wfps-efforts-improve-nutrition-among-afghan-mothers-and-children>

²⁰³⁹ World Leaders Launch the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty (Rio de Janeiro) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://globalallianceagainsthungerandpoverty.org/new/world-leaders-launch-the-global-alliance-against-hunger-and-poverty-2/>

²⁰⁴⁰ Lebanon - France sends emergency humanitarian aid shipment (18.11.24), Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/lebanon/news/article/lebanon-france-sends-emergency-humanitarian-aid-shipment-november-18-2024>

²⁰⁴¹ Le Cirad, l'AFD et ses filiales Expertise France et Proparco consolident leur partenariat en faveur d'une agriculture durable dans les pays du Sud, Agence Française de Développement (Paris) 25 November 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.afd.fr/fr/actualites/communiqu%C3%A9-de-presse/le-cirad-lafd-et-ses-filiales-expertise-france-et-proparco-consolident-leur-partenariat-en-faveur-dune-agriculture-durable-dans-les-pays-du-sud>

²⁰⁴² G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting Statement (Fiuggi-Anagni, Italy) 26 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/241126-statement.html>

²⁰⁴³ Lebanon – Emergency humanitarian aid from France (13 December 2024), Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 13 December 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/lebanon/news/article/lebanon-emergency-humanitarian-aid-from-france-13-dec-2024>

On 20 December 2024, Ambassador to Haiti Antoine Michon outlined French support for Haiti during 2024 including EUR10.5 million in support for school food programs.²⁰⁴⁴ Other sources corroborate this support as ongoing within the compliance period.²⁰⁴⁵

On 18 January 2025, Minister of Agriculture, Agrifood, and Forestry Annie Genevard attended the 17th Berlin Agriculture Ministers' conference with agriculture ministers from 62 countries and 14 international organization representatives in attendance.²⁰⁴⁶ In the final communique, the ministers committed to enhanced international cooperation for sustainable bioeconomy efforts, to advance climate action and global food security. The ministers also endorsed a German-funded Global Bioeconomy Partnership led by the UN Food and Agriculture Organization.

On 29 January 2025, Minister Barrot reaffirmed France's commitment to providing humanitarian and food aid to vulnerable populations in Haiti, a highest concern region.²⁰⁴⁷

On 6 February 2024, Proparco, a development finance institution co-owned by the French Development Agency, announced its support for Mirova which is an investment coalition addressing climate and biodiversity challenges and supporting regenerative agriculture and food security in developing regions.²⁰⁴⁸

On 13 February 2025, Minister Soilihi reaffirmed France's commitment to working with international institutions and Syrian transitional authorities to provide emergency food aid, nutrition and support for agricultural resilience during the Paris conference on Syria.²⁰⁴⁹

On 25 March 2025, France endorsed the United Nations General Assembly's decision to extend the UN Decade of Action on Nutrition resolution until 2030.²⁰⁵⁰ France also reaffirmed its commitment to global food and nutrition security through measures such as hosting the Nutrition for Growth Summit and participating in the School Meals Coalition and the Global Alliance Against Hunger.

On 28 March 2025, the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs and Minister Soilihi hosted the Nutrition for Growth Summit.²⁰⁵¹ The Summit resulted in USD27.55 billion in international contributions towards global nutrition with France announcing EUR750 million in funding over five years to support nutrition and food

²⁰⁴⁴ France Announces a €2 Million Contribution to IOM for Assistance to Haitian Migrants Deported, International Organization for Migration (Port-au-Prince) 20 December 2024. Access Date: 2 May 2025. <https://reliefweb.int/report/haiti/france-announces-eu2-million-contribution-iom-assistance-haitian-migrants-deported>

²⁰⁴⁵ En 2024, la France a renforcé sa coopération bilatérale en Haïti, Ambassade de France en Haïti (Port-au-Prince) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 2 May 2025. <https://ht.ambafrance.org/En-2024-la-France-a-renforce-sa-cooperation-bilaterale-en-Haiti>

²⁰⁴⁶ 17th Berlin Agriculture Ministers' Conference 2025 Final Communiqué, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Berlin) 18 January 2025. Access Date: 17 February 2025. https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Downloads/EN/_International-Affairs/gffa-2025-communique-en.pdf?__blob=publicationFile&v=2

²⁰⁴⁷ Haiti – Conversation between M. Jean-Noël Barrot and his Haitian counterpart, Mr. Jean-Victor Harvel Jean-Baptiste, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 29 January 2025. Access Date: 22 February 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/haiti/news/article/haiti-conversation-between-m-jean-noel-barrot-and-his-haitian-counterpart-mr>

²⁰⁴⁸ Proparco Soutient Mirova Pour Le Lancement De Son Fonds De Deuxième Génération Dédié À La Gestion Durable Des Terres, Proparco (Paris) 6 February 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 27 February 2025. <https://www.proparco.fr/fr/actualites/proparco-soutient-mirova-pour-le-lancement-de-son-fonds-de-deuxieme-generation-dedie-la?origin=/fr/actualites?page=1>

²⁰⁴⁹ Syria workshop, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 13 February 2025. Access Date: 22 February 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/syria/news/2025/article/syria-workshop-13-feb-2025>

²⁰⁵⁰ United Nations - Adoption of the resolution on the UN Decade of Action on Nutrition, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 25 March 2025. Access Date: 8 April 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/france-and-the-united-nations/news-and-events/news/article/united-nations-adoption-of-the-resolution-on-the-un-decade-of-action-on>

²⁰⁵¹ The Nutrition for Growth Summit mobilizes over US\$27 billion to reach nutrition-related Sustainable Development Goals, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 28 March 2025. Access Date: 8 April 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/development-assistance/other-major-sectors/food-security-nutrition-and-sustainable-agriculture/news/article/the-nutrition-for-growth-summit-mobilizes-over-us-27-billion-to-reach-nutrition>

needs, address malnutrition and increase “food sustainability education.” This funding will support projects led by the French Development Agency and Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs.

On 16 April 2025, Minister Barrot pledged EUR50 million in additional humanitarian assistance, including food aid, to Sudan.²⁰⁵²

On 29 April 2025, France contributed EUR1 million to the WFP to support food security in Afghanistan for those engaging in vocational training.²⁰⁵³

France has partially complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis aggravated by Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine. France has taken strong measures to address the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis in the Palestinian Territories, Sudan and Haiti classified as a highest concern area and in Lebanon, Sierra Leone and Malawi, classified as hotspots. France has also taken weak action in Syria, a high concern area. However, France has not taken strong action across at least three of the five highest concern and 10 of the 20 areas of very high concern and hotspots during the compliance period.

Thus, France receives a score of 0.

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Germany: +1

Germany has fully complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine.

On 19 June 2024, Head of Climate Finance Division at the Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development Annette Windmeisser and the Global Environmental Facility Council approved USD35.3 million in funding through the Least Developed Country Fund to projects addressing the global food security crisis.²⁰⁵⁴ These projects include increasing food security and nutrition in Angola, scaling-up agricultural nature-based solutions to improve food security in Sierra Leone and improving climate data systems that ensure food security and sustainable livelihoods for over 1.5 million people in Tanzania.

On 24 June 2024, Commissioner for Human Rights Policy and Humanitarian Aid Luise Amtsberg visited the Democratic Republic of Congo to learn about the country’s food security issues.²⁰⁵⁵ Commissioner Amtsberg also pledged to continue working with the Democratic Republic of Congo’s government to address humanitarian challenges.

²⁰⁵² Sudan - London Sudan Conference (16 April 2025), Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 16 April 2025. Access Date: 7 May 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/sudan/news/article/sudan-london-sudan-conference-16-apr-2025>

²⁰⁵³ The Government of France contributes EUR 1 million to WFP resilience projects in Afghanistan, World Food Programme (Kabul) 29 April 2025. Access Date: 2 May 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/government-france-contributes-eur-1-million-wfp-resilience-projects-afghanistan>

²⁰⁵⁴ Work Program for Least Developed Country Fund, Global Environmental Facility (Washington D.C.) 19 June 2024. Access Date: 27 September 2024. https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/documents/2024-05/EN_GEF.LDCF._SCCF_.C.36.03.Rev_01_Work%20Program_LDCF.pdf

²⁰⁵⁵ Abreisestatement von der Beauftragten der Bundesregierung für Menschenrechtspolitik und humanitäre Hilfe Luise Amtsberg vor ihrer Reise in die Demokratische Republik Kongo, Auswärtiges Amt (Berlin) 24 June 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 25 September 2024. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/newsroom/-/2664362>

On 25 June 2024, Minister for Foreign Affairs Annalena Baerbock announced EUR10 million in funding for the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees in the Near East, as well as EUR14 million for other organizations providing humanitarian assistance and food aid in Gaza.²⁰⁵⁶

On 28 June 2024, Minister Baerbock and Moroccan Minister for Foreign Affairs, African Cooperation and Moroccan Nationals Abroad Nasser Bourita met to discuss areas of interest for bilateral cooperation.²⁰⁵⁷ The Ministers also voiced their concern over the Russia-Ukraine conflict which has exacerbated food security challenges and reaffirmed their commitment to addressing the global ramifications of the conflict.

On 9 July 2024, the Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development signed an agreement with Laos's Ministry of Education and Sports to provide EUR22 million for school meals through the World Food Programme (WFP).²⁰⁵⁸

On 16 July 2024, Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development Svenja Schulze, as President of the Sahel Alliance announced the launch of the Sahel Resilience Partnership in cooperation with the World Food Programme and the United Nations Children's Fund.²⁰⁵⁹ Germany will provide an initial investment of EUR130 million to support the partnership in enhancing local food systems and social services in the region.²⁰⁶⁰ The Sahel region include Mali, a highest concern area, Chad, a high concern area and Burkina Faso, a lower risk hotspot.

On 2 July 2024, Germany alongside the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Executive Board and Malawi inaugurated a USD58 million programme for agricultural development, enhancing agricultural production and increasing food security in this hotspot region.²⁰⁶¹

On 23 September 2024, G7 foreign ministers reiterated their support of humanitarian aid to Ukraine, Gaza and Sudan.²⁰⁶² Members also expressed their commitment to cooperation with African states to improve food security and agricultural productivity.

On 7 October 2024, Germany announced that it will join the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, an initiative of Brazil's G20 Presidency, at the Hamburg Sustainability Conference.²⁰⁶³ Germany was the first G20 member to join the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty as well as is part of its Board of Champions.

²⁰⁵⁶ Statement of Germany during the 2024 UNRWA Pledging Conference, 12 July 2024, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 12 July 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2666874-2666874>

²⁰⁵⁷ Gemeinsame Mitteilung zum Deutsch-Marokkanischen Strategischen Dialog, Auswärtiges Amt (Berlin) 28 June 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 25 September 2024. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/newsroom/-/2665268>

²⁰⁵⁸ German support set to transform school meals in Lao PDR, World Food Programme (Vientiane) 9 July 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2024. <https://www.wfp.org/news/german-support-set-transform-school-meals-lao-pdr>

²⁰⁵⁹ Speech by Federal Minister Svenja Schulze at the opening of the fifth General Assembly of the Sahel Alliance, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (Berlin) 16 July 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.bmz.de/en/news/speeches-and-contributions/minister-svenja-schulze/opening-of-the-general-assembly-of-the-sahel-alliance-224216>

²⁰⁶⁰ Conflicts, Economic Crises, and the Impact of Climate Change: Comprehensive Investments from Germany Bolster Resilience in the Sahel Region, Alliance Sahel (Berlin) 15 July 2024. Access Date: 21 November 2024. <https://www.alliance-sahel.org/en/press/sahel-resilience-partnership/>

²⁰⁶¹ New US\$53 million agricultural development programme launched in Malawi to combat food insecurity, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 2 July 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/new-us-53-million-agricultural-development-programme-launched-in-malawi-to-combat-food-insecurity>

²⁰⁶² Foreign Ministers' Chair's Statement (New York) 23 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/240923-statement.html>

²⁰⁶³ Germany to join the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (Hamburg) 7 October 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. <https://www.bmz.de/en/news/press-releases/germany-to-join-the-global-alliance-against-hunger-and-poverty-230704>

On 17 October 2024, Germany, France, Canada, the United Kingdom, the US Agency for International Development, Norway, Sweden, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland and the European Commissioner for Crisis Management released a joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan.²⁰⁶⁴ The joint statement called for immediate, coordinated assistance to address a humanitarian crisis marked by food insecurity and famine. It also highlighted famine conditions in Zamzam camp for displaced people, an elevated famine risk in South Kordofan and a severe food crisis in Darfur.

On 17 October 2024, the Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development contributed EUR10 million to the WFP to support food security in Zambia.²⁰⁶⁵

On 22 October 2024, G7 development ministers adopted a joint statement at the G7 Development Meeting in Italy.²⁰⁶⁶ The Ministers reaffirmed their support for the G7 Apulia Initiative which works towards establishing sustainable, resilient and inclusive food systems and for the Innovation Challenge project which aims to combat malnutrition.

On 24 October 2024, the Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development announced EUR36 million in humanitarian aid, including food, for Lebanon and Syria at the International Conference in Support of Lebanon's People and Sovereignty.²⁰⁶⁷ This funding addresses the global food security crisis in one hotspot and one highest concern region.

On 24 October 2024, the Credit Institution for Reconstruction joined the G7 Public Development Banks and Development Financial Institutions in a Collaborative on Sustainable Food Systems.²⁰⁶⁸ This collaborative aims to strengthen cooperation and private sector participation in enhancing food security within global emerging markets.

On 1 November 2024, Germany agreed to provide EUR6 million to the United Nations Office for Project Services to fund logistical support for aid deliveries in Gaza.²⁰⁶⁹

On 4 November 2024, Minister Federal Minister of Food and Agriculture Cem Özdemir and Agriculture Commissioner of the African Union (AU) Josefa Sacko inaugurated the office for the Agricultural Policy Dialogue (APD) project in Addis Ababa.²⁰⁷⁰ The APD promotes collaborative solutions for global concerns such as hunger and climate change through sustainable agricultural development in the 55 member states of the AU. This action addresses the global food security crisis in AU members including South Sudan and Sudan

²⁰⁶⁴ Joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan by the UK, USAID, Norway, Sweden, France, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland, Canada and the European Commissioner for Crisis Management, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 17 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/sudan/news/article/joint-donor-statement-on-humanitarian-access-in-sudan-by-the-uk-usaid-norway>

²⁰⁶⁵ Germany and WFP join hands to help Zambians recover from historic drought, World Food Programme (Lusaka) 17 October 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/germany-and-wfp-join-hands-help-zambians-recover-historic-drought>

²⁰⁶⁶ Mr Thani Mohamed-Soilihi, Minister of State for Francophonie and International Partnerships, attended the G7 Development Meeting in Pescara, Italy, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/summits-and-global-affairs/france-s-action-in-the-g7/article/mr-thani-mohamed-soilihi-minister-of-state-for-francophonie-and-international>

²⁰⁶⁷ Joint statement on further support for Lebanon by the Federal Foreign Office and the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (Paris) 24 October 2024. Access Date: 1 December 2024. <https://www.bmz.de/en/news/press-releases/joint-declaration-aa-and-bmz-support-for-lebanon-232836>

²⁰⁶⁸ G7 financial institutions team up for sustainable food systems, European Investment Bank (Pescara) 24 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2024-390-g7-financial-institutions-team-up-for-sustainable-food-systems>

²⁰⁶⁹ Germany Supports Aid Delivery Mechanism for Gaza with EUR 6 million [EN/AR], ReliefWeb (New York) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://reliefweb.int/report/occupied-palestinian-territory/germany-supports-aid-delivery-mechanism-gaza-eur-6-million-enar>

²⁰⁷⁰ MEL stellt Zusammenarbeit mit afrikanischen Partnern auf neues Fundament – Projektbüro in Addis Abeba offiziell eingeweiht, Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft (Addis Ababa) 4 November 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 1 December 2024. <https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Pressemitteilungen/DE/2024/123-afrikareise-partnerschaft.html>

which are highest concern areas, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Chad which are high concern regions and the Central African Republic, Somalia, Nigeria, Ethiopia and other hotspot regions.

On 6 November 2024, Germany alongside the IFAD Executive Board and Sierra Leone signed a USD105 million agreement for the Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project over eight years.²⁰⁷¹ This project supports local farmers while enhancing food security and sustainable development in Sierra Leone, a hotspot region.

On 6 November 2024, Federal Minister Özdemir signed an agreement with the Food and Agriculture Organization for a joint project reducing food waste across production systems and supply chains.²⁰⁷² The project aims to strengthen rural-urban linkages and build sustainable, resilient food systems in Lusaka and Medellín, Colombia.

On 7 November 2024, Minister Özdemir reiterated his support for the German-Zambian Agricultural Knowledge Centre during his visit to the project location in Zambia.²⁰⁷³

On 15 November 2024, Germany announced plans to deepen its collaboration with the WFP by broadening the reach of the “Accelerating School Meals Program” to more countries.²⁰⁷⁴ This effort will include ongoing backing for the School Meals Coalition and related projects, with an emphasis on enhancing access to nutritious food for school-aged children, particularly through programs that source meals locally.

On 18 November 2024, the G20 officially launched the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty at the G20 Summit in Rio de Janeiro.²⁰⁷⁵ The Global Alliance will work to “eradicate hunger and poverty” by 2030 while supporting sustainable development and reducing inequalities, with Germany as one of 148 founding members. Beneficiary members of the Alliance include Mali, Palestine and Haiti which are highest concern areas, Chad and Myanmar which are high concern areas and Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Somalia, Ethiopia, Lebanon and Mozambique which are hotspot areas.

On 18 November 2024, Minister Özdemir and Denmark Agriculture Minister Jacob Jensen introduced a joint agenda to increase protein supply strength in the EU, addressing nutrition gaps caused by the supply chain disruption from the war in Ukraine.²⁰⁷⁶

²⁰⁷¹ IFAD and Sierra Leone partner to boost farm productivity with Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 6 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/ifad-and-sierra-leone-partner-to-boost-farm-productivity-with-livestock-and-livelihoods-development-project>

²⁰⁷² Wissenstransfer für weniger Nachernteverluste, Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft (Bonn) 6 November 2025. Translation Provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 2 March 2025. <https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Pressemitteilungen/DE/2024/125-sambia-projekt-startschuss.html>

²⁰⁷³ Mehr als 18.000 Menschen in klimaresilienter Landwirtschaft in BMEL-Projekt aus- und weitergebildet, Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft (Lusaka) 7 November 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 1 December 2024. <https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Pressemitteilungen/DE/2024/126-deutsch-sambisches-wissenszentrum.html>

²⁰⁷⁴ Governments and partners pledge to double school meals for children in hardesthit countries by 2030, Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty (Rio de Janeiro) 15 November 2024. Access Date: 7 June 2025. <https://globalallianceagainsthungerandpoverty.org/new/2030-school-meals-sprint-press-release/>

²⁰⁷⁵ World Leaders Launch the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty (Rio de Janeiro) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://globalallianceagainsthungerandpoverty.org/new/world-leaders-launch-the-global-alliance-against-hunger-and-poverty-2/>

²⁰⁷⁶ Deutschland und Dänemark fordern EU-Proteinstrategie, Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft (Brussels) 18 November 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 1 December 2024. <https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Meldungen/DE/Presse/2024/241118-eu-proteinstrategie.html>

On 19 November 2024, the Environment Ministry and the Foreign Office pledged EUR60 million to the Climate Adaptation Fund at COP29, each ministry contributing half of the amount.²⁰⁷⁷ The Fund supports countries most at risk from the climate crisis, with agriculture and food security among the targeted sectors.

On 21 November 2024, Parliamentary State Secretary to the Ministry of Food and Agriculture Claudia Müller underlined that especially vulnerable countries need support to adapt to low-emission agricultural systems at the 29th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.²⁰⁷⁸ Müller also called for sustainable and local approaches to fight malnutrition, urging these issues to be discussed at the conference.

On 26 November 2024, G7 Foreign Ministers released a statement condemning the increase in Russian attacks in the Black Sea region which impact global food security.²⁰⁷⁹ The ministers also welcomed the “Food for Gaza” initiative, acknowledged the importance of humanitarian aid to address food insecurity in Gaza, encouraged the launch of the G7 Apulia Food Systems Initiative to address food insecurity and fight child malnutrition in Africa, expressed concern about rising food insecurity in Haiti and encouraged increased humanitarian aid to help the Haitian people.

On 27 November 2024, Germany agreed to contribute EUR3.4 million to the World Health Organization to provide health services including malnourishment treatment in Yemen.²⁰⁸⁰ This action addresses the nutrition crisis.

On 5 December 2024, Germany announced a EUR10 million contribution to the Vision for Adapted Crops and Soils via the Global Crop Diversity Trust on the margins of the United Nations Desertification Conference.²⁰⁸¹ These funds support the Power of Diversity Funding Facility to promote the conservation and use of climate-resilient and neglected opportunity crops across Africa, Asia, the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean.²⁰⁸²

On 13 December 2024, Germany pledged EUR20 million to the Crop Trust Endowment Fund at the COP16 UN Desertification Conference.²⁰⁸³ This fund supports crop diversification through gene banks, enhancing soil health and advancing global food security.

²⁰⁷⁷ COP29: Deutschland investiert mit Beitrag zu internationalem Klimaanpassungsfonds in globale Resilienz und Stabilität, Bundesministerium für Umwelt, Naturschutz, Nukleare Sicherheit und Verbraucherschutz (Baku) 19 November 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 1 December 2024. <https://www.bmu.de/pressemitteilung/cop-29-deutschland-investiert-mit-beitrag-zu-internationalem-klimaanpassungsfonds-in-globale-resilienz-und-stabilitaet>

²⁰⁷⁸ Parlamentarische Staatssekretärin Müller beim Weltklimagipfel COP 29, Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft (Baku) 21 November 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 1 December 2024. <https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Pressemitteilungen/DE/2024/131-weltklimagipfel-cop29.html>

²⁰⁷⁹ 7 Foreign Ministers’ Meeting Statement (Fiuggi-Anagni, Italy) 26 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/241126-statement.html>

²⁰⁸⁰ WHO signs a €3.4 million agreement with the Government of Germany to sustain lifesaving health services in Yemen, World Health Organization 27 November 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.emro.who.int/yemen/news/who-signs-a-34-million-euros-agreement-with-the-government-of-germany-to-sustain-lifesaving-health-services-in-yemen.html>

²⁰⁸¹ UNCCD COP16: Crop Diversity as a Path to Combat Desertification and Ensure Food Security, Crop Trust (Bonn) 17 December 2024. Access Date: 6 June 2025. <https://www.croptrust.org/news-events/news/unccd-cop16-crop-diversity-as-a-path-to-combat-desertification-and-ensure-food-security/>

²⁰⁸² Power of Diversity Funding Facility, Crop Trust (Bonn) n.d. Access Date: 6 June 2025. <https://www.croptrust.org/what-we-do/projects/power-of-diversity-funding-facility/>

²⁰⁸³ UNCCD COP16: Crop Diversity as a Path to Combat Desertification and Ensure Food Security, Crop Trust (Bonn) 17 December 2025. Access Date: 2 March 2025. <https://www.croptrust.org/news-events/news/unccd-cop16-crop-diversity-as-a-path-to-combat-desertification-and-ensure-food-security/>

On 20 December 2024, the Federal Foreign Office allocated EUR10 million to the Syria Recovery Trust Fund to finance the restoration of food storage facilities, the rehabilitation of livestock production and other recovery projects.²⁰⁸⁴ This action supports food security in a high concern hotspot region.

On 24 December 2024, the Federal Foreign Office contributed EUR1 million to the WFP to support food provisions and farming in Uganda.²⁰⁸⁵

On 14 January 2024, the WFP announced that in 2024, Germany provided EUR278.4 million to the WFP, offering a “critical lifeline” to millions across Gaza, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, and Yemen amid conflict, economic turmoil, and climate shocks.²⁰⁸⁶ This funding supported both emergency food aid, such as reaching 1.1 million people monthly in Gaza, and long-term development efforts like school meal programs in Yemen, sustainable agriculture in Lebanon, and social protection in Jordan. Backed by the German Federal Foreign Office and the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development Germany’s contributions enabled WFP to respond swiftly to overlapping crises while helping communities build resilience and reduce long-term food insecurity.

On 17 January 2025, Minister Özdemir and African Union Agriculture Commissioner Josefa Sacko presented Germany’s Africa Concept for cooperation, promoting sustainable agriculture, climate resilience and functioning food systems in African countries.²⁰⁸⁷

On 18 January 2025, Minister Özdemir chaired the 17th Berlin Agriculture Ministers’ conference with agriculture ministers from 62 countries and 14 international organization representatives in attendance.²⁰⁸⁸ In the final communique, the ministers committed to enhanced international cooperation for sustainable bioeconomy efforts, to advance climate action and global food security. The ministers also endorsed the Ministry of Food and Agriculture-funded Global Bioeconomy Partnership led by the UN Food and Agriculture Organization.

On 11 February 2025, the German Sparkassenstiftung for International Cooperation and IFAD launched Innovatech 2.0, providing access to agricultural technology for over 340 rural organizations across Latin America and Asia.²⁰⁸⁹ The programme also provides technical training to youth, women, Indigenous communities and migrants. This action will support food security in Bolivia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Peru and Bangladesh.

²⁰⁸⁴ Germany Strengthens Its Support to the Syria Recovery Trust Fund, Syria Recovery Trust Fund (Amman) 20 December 2024. Access Date: 17 February 2025. <https://www.srtfund.org/news/846-germany-strengthens-its-support-to-the-syria-recovery-trust-fund>

²⁰⁸⁵ Germany Supports Nutrition and Self-Reliance for Refugees in Uganda, World Food Programme (Kampala) 24 December 2024. Access Date: 17 February 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/germany-supports-nutrition-and-self-reliance-refugees-uganda>

²⁰⁸⁶ Germany’s Partnership with WFP Drives Humanitarian Aid and Resilience Across Middle East and North Africa, World Food Programme (Cairo) 14 January 2025. Access Date: 7 June 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/germanys-partnership-wfp-drives-humanitarian-aid-and-resilience-across-middle-east-and-north>

²⁰⁸⁷ BMEL Lays New Foundation for Cooperation with African Partners, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Berlin) 17 January 2025. Access Date: 17 February 2025. <https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Pressemitteilungen/EN/2025/africa-concept.html>

²⁰⁸⁸ 17th Berlin Agriculture Ministers’ Conference 2025 Final Communiqué, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Berlin) 18 January 2025. Access Date: 17 February 2025. https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Downloads/EN/_International-Affairs/gffa-2025-communique-en.pdf?__blob=publicationFile&v=2

²⁰⁸⁹ Innovatech 2.0: Digital solutions to boost the productivity and climate resilience of 17,000 crop and livestock producers, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Panama City) 11 February 2025. Access Date: 6 April 2025. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/innovatech-2.0-digital-solutions-to-boost-the-productivity-and-climate-resilience-of-17-000-crop-and-livestock-producers>

On 25 February 2025, Germany contributed EUR11 million to the WFP to provide daily meals to 28,000 pre-school and primary school children in northern Togo.²⁰⁹⁰ This assistance targets schools and communities hosting refugees affected by the Sahel crisis.

On 27 March 2025, Germany joined the Global Compact on Nutrition Integration initiative.²⁰⁹¹ This initiative promotes food security in tandem with other social goals, such as education, economic growth, and poverty reduction.

On 15 April 2025, Minister Baerbock announced EUR125 million in additional humanitarian assistance, including food aid, to Sudan.²⁰⁹²

Germany has fully complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine. Germany has taken strong action to address the global food security and nutrition crisis in Mali, Sudan and the Palestinian Territories which classify as highest concern areas, Syria, Yemen and Chad which qualify as high concern areas and Malawi, Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Zambia and Lebanon which classify as hotspots. Germany has also taken weaker action in South Sudan and Sudan which are highest concern areas, the Democratic Republic of Congo which is a high concern region and the Central African Republic, Somalia, Nigeria, Ethiopia and other hotspot regions through the Agricultural Policy Dialogue and its African Concept.

Thus, Germany receives a score of +1.

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Italy: +1

Italy has fully complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine.

On 15 June 2024, Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni provided an overview of the G7 Apulia Summit under the Italian Presidency at the closing press conference.²⁰⁹³ Prime Minister Meloni stated that G7 members reinforced previous commitments and launched concrete initiatives across various sectors including food security. She also highlighted the G7's adoption of the Apulia Food Systems Initiative which aims to enhance agricultural production in Africa and make food systems in African countries more sustainable and resilient.

On 15 June 2024, Prime Minister Meloni met with President of Brazil Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva to discuss commitments made at the G7 Apulia Summit ahead of the G20 Rio de Janeiro Summit.²⁰⁹⁴ The leaders focused on various areas for cooperation including food security and development in Africa.

²⁰⁹⁰ Germany and WFP join forces to reach crisis-affected children in northern Togo with nutritious school meals, World Food Programme (Lome) 25 February 2025. Access Date: 7 April 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/germany-and-wfp-join-forces-reach-crisis-affected-children-northern-togo-nutritious-school>

²⁰⁹¹ Deutschland tritt neuer Initiative zu Ernährungssicherung bei: Kampf gegen Hunger gelingt vor allem im Zusammenspiel, Bundesministerium für wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit und Entwicklung (Paris) 27 March 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 6 April 2025. <https://www.bmz.de/de/aktuelles/aktuelle-meldungen/deutschland-tritt-neuer-initiative-zu-ernaehrungssicherung-bei-249306>

²⁰⁹² Foreign Minister Baerbock travels to London for the Sudan conference, Federal Foreign Office (Berlin) 15 April 2025. Access Date: 7 May 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/sudan-konferenz-2714288>

²⁰⁹³ President Meloni's closing press conference at the G7 Summit, Italian Government Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 15 June 2024. Access Date: 25 September 2024. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/president-meloni-s-closing-press-conference-g7-summit/26481>

²⁰⁹⁴ G7 Summit: President Meloni meets with the President of Brazil, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, Italian Government Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 15 June 2024. Access Date: 26 September 2024. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/g7-summit-president-meloni-meets-president-brazil-luiz-cio-lula-da-silva/26021>

On 15 June 2024, Prime Minister Meloni met with President of the African Development Bank Group Akinwumi Adesina to discuss Italy's launch of the Mattei plan.²⁰⁹⁵ The pair shared plans to collaborate to support the initiative which aims to address climate change, energy, food security, health services and skills and jobs for youth in Africa.

On 16 June 2024, Prime Minister Meloni addressed the Summit on Peace in Ukraine, highlighting the importance of discussing food security and reinforcing Italy's commitment to the cause.²⁰⁹⁶

On 19 June 2024, Deputy Director of the Global Public Goods Office in the International Financial Relations Directorate of the Ministry of the Economy and Finance Gisella Berardi and the Global Environmental Facility Council approved USD35.3 million in funding through the Least Developed Country Fund to projects addressing the global food security crisis.²⁰⁹⁷ These projects include increasing food security and nutrition in Angola, scaling-up agricultural nature-based solutions to improve food security in Sierra Leone and improving climate data systems that ensure food security and sustainable livelihoods for over 1.5 million people in Tanzania.

On 26 June 2024, Prime Minister Meloni spoke to the Chamber of Deputies emphasizing Europe's commitment to "guaranteeing access to commercial ports and freedom of navigation in the Black Sea" to enable Ukraine's grain exports and global food security.²⁰⁹⁸

On 2 July 2024, Italy alongside the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Executive Board and Malawi inaugurated a USD58 million programme for agricultural development, enhancing agricultural production and increasing food security in this hotspot region.²⁰⁹⁹

On 6 July 2024, Minister of Agriculture, Food Sovereignty and Forests Francesco Lollobrigida and Algerian Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development Youcef Cherfa signed an agreement for agricultural development in Algeria under the Mattei Plan framework.²¹⁰⁰ This action contributes to food security in the Horn of Africa.

On 8 July 2024, Director General for Development Cooperation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Stefano Gatti, Director of International Cooperation and Development Finance at the Italian National Promotional Institution Paolo Lombardo signed an agreement with the Government of Mozambique for the construction of the "Centro Agroalimentare di Manica" in the western Manica province of Mozambique.²¹⁰¹ Italy will

²⁰⁹⁵ G7 Summit: Joint press statement by President Meloni and African Development Bank President Adesina, Italian Government Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 15 June 2024. Access Date: 26 September 2024.

<https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/president-meloni-s-press-statement-president-african-development-bank-group/26015>

²⁰⁹⁶ President Meloni's speech at the Summit on Peace in Ukraine, Italian Government Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 16 June 2024. Access Date: 26 September 2024. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/president-meloni-s-speech-summit-peace-ukraine/26032>

²⁰⁹⁷ Work Program for Least Developed Country Fund, Global Environmental Facility (Washington D.C.) 19 June 2024. Access Date: 27 September 2024. https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/documents/2024-05/EN_GEF.LDCF_SCCF_C.36.03.Rev_01_Work%20Program_LDCF.pdf

²⁰⁹⁸ President Meloni's address to the Chamber of Deputies ahead of the European Council meeting on 27-28 June, Italian Government Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 26 June 2024. Access Date: 25 September 2024. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/president-meloni-s-address-chamber-deputies-ahead-european-council-meeting-27-28-june/26151>

²⁰⁹⁹ New US\$53 million agricultural development programme launched in Malawi to combat food insecurity, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 2 July 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/new-us-53-million-agricultural-development-programme-launched-in-malawi-to-combat-food-insecurity>

²¹⁰⁰ Lollobrigida, Algeria e Italia pilastri della sicurezza alimentare, Ministero dell'Agricoltura, della Sovranità Alimentare e delle Foreste (Roma) 7 July 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 29 September 2024. https://www.politicheagricole.it/Algeria_Italia_BF

²¹⁰¹ Mattei Plan for Africa: agreement signed for food and agriculture center in Mozambique, Italian Government Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 8 July 2024. Access Date: 25 September 2024. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/mattei-plan-africa-agreement-signed-food-and-agriculture-centre-mozambique/26202>

contribute EUR38 million in financing towards building this regional processing and distribution hub for local food and agricultural products.

On 25 July 2024, Italy contributed EUR12 million to support food security in Gaza, an area of highest concern.²¹⁰²

On 28 July 2024, Prime Minister Meloni met with Chinese Premier Li Qiang in Beijing to adopt an Action Plan to strengthen the Global Strategic Partnership for 2024 to 2027.²¹⁰³ Prime Minister Meloni and Premier Qiang also signed six agreements for collaboration including one focused on food security.

On 29 July 2024, the National Promotional Institution (CDP) announced a joint investment of EUR400 million, including EUR200 million from the CDP to finance private sector growth and launch a new Growth and Resilience Platform for Africa.²¹⁰⁴ Food security will be among the major themes for private equity and venture capital to mobilize the funds towards. The EUR200 million benefits countries across Africa including Burkina Faso, Chad, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Lesotho, Mali, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, and Zambia.

On 23 September 2024, G7 foreign ministers reiterated their support of humanitarian aid to Ukraine, Gaza and Sudan.²¹⁰⁵ Members also expressed their commitment to cooperation with African states to improve food security and agricultural productivity.

On 4 October 2024, Minister of Foreign Affairs Antonio Tajani approved EUR17 million for humanitarian aid including food supplies in Lebanon.²¹⁰⁶

On 22 October 2024, G7 development ministers adopted a joint statement at the G7 Development Meeting in Italy.²¹⁰⁷ The Ministers reaffirmed their support for the G7 Apulia Initiative which works towards establishing sustainable, resilient and inclusive food systems and for the Innovation Challenge project which aims to combat malnutrition.

On 24 October 2024, CDP joined the G7 Public Development Banks and Development Financial Institutions in a Collaborative on Sustainable Food Systems.²¹⁰⁸ This collaborative, set up by CDP, aims to strengthen cooperation and private sector participation in enhancing food security within global emerging markets.

²¹⁰² Italy's humanitarian initiative Food For Gaza supports efforts to alleviate hunger in the Strip, World Food Programme (Rome) 25 July 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/italys-humanitarian-initiative-food-gaza-supports-efforts-alleviate-hunger-strip>

²¹⁰³ President Meloni meets with Premier Li Qiang during official visit to China, Italian Government: Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 28 July 2024. Access Date: 25 September 2024. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/president-meloni-meets-premier-li-qiang-during-official-visit-china/26320>

²¹⁰⁴ Italy's National Promotional Institution CDP and African Development Bank to invest €400 Million in Africa's Private Sector Growth, Cassa Depositi e Prestiti (Rome) 29 July 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. https://www.cdp.it/sitointernet/page/en/italys_national_promotional_institution_cdp_and_african_development_bank_to_invest_400_million_in_africas_private_sector_growth

²¹⁰⁵ Foreign Ministers' Chair's Statement (New York) 23 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/240923-statement.html>

²¹⁰⁶ 17 million euros from Italy to support the civilian population in Lebanon, Italian Embassy in Beirut (Beirut) 4 October 2024. Access Date: 8 May 2025. https://ambbeirut.esteri.it/en/news/dall_ambasciata/2024/10/17-million-euros-from-italy-to-support-the-civilian-population-in-lebanon/

²¹⁰⁷ Mr Thani Mohamed-Soilihi, Minister of State for Francophonie and International Partnerships, attended the G7 Development Meeting in Pescara, Italy, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/summits-and-global-affairs/france-s-action-in-the-g7/article/mr-thani-mohamed-soilihi-minister-of-state-for-francophonie-and-international>

²¹⁰⁸ G7 financial institutions team up for sustainable food systems, European Investment Bank (Pescara) 24 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2024-390-g7-financial-institutions-team-up-for-sustainable-food-systems>

On 25 October 2024, the Italian government donated 15 trucks of humanitarian aid as part of the “Food for Gaza” initiative.²¹⁰⁹

On 6 November 2024, Italy alongside the IFAD Executive Board and Sierra Leone signed a USD105 million agreement for the Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project over eight years.²¹¹⁰ This project supports local farmers while enhancing food security and sustainable development in Sierra Leone, a hotspot region.

On 17 November 2024, Prime Minister Meloni met with Brazilian President Lula at the G20 Summit in Rio de Janeiro, reaffirming their joint commitment to enhance global food security and development.²¹¹¹

On 18 November 2024, the G20 officially launched the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty at the G20 Summit in Rio de Janeiro.²¹¹² The Global Alliance will work to “eradicate hunger and poverty” by 2030 while supporting sustainable development and reducing inequalities, with Italy as one of 148 founding members. Beneficiary members of the Alliance include Mali, Palestine and Haiti which are highest concern areas, Chad and Myanmar which are high concern areas and Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Somalia, Ethiopia, Lebanon and Mozambique which are hotspot areas.

On 18 November 2024, the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation announced EUR5.4 million for nine emergency projects in Lebanon including initiatives to combat food insecurity.²¹¹³

On 26 November 2024, G7 foreign ministers released a statement condemning the increase in Russian attacks in the Black Sea region which impact global food security.²¹¹⁴ The ministers also welcomed the “Food for Gaza” initiative, acknowledged the importance of humanitarian aid to address food insecurity in Gaza, encouraged the launch of the G7 Apulia Food Systems Initiative to address food insecurity and fight child malnutrition in Africa, expressed concern about rising food insecurity in Haiti and encouraged increased humanitarian aid to help the Haitian people.

On 27 November 2024, the Italian government delivered 20 tonnes of food aid to Amman as part of the “Food for Gaza” initiative.²¹¹⁵ Italy also donated 15 “special IVECO trucks” worth EUR2 million to the WFP to assist with their humanitarian mission in the region.

²¹⁰⁹ Tajani oggi a Genova consegna il primo camion donato dall'Italia al Programma Alimentare Mondiale per “Food for Gaza,” Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 25 October 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 1 November 2024. https://www.esteri.it/it/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2024/10/tajani-oggi-a-genova-consegna-il-primo-camion-donato-dallitalia-al-programma-alimentare-mondiale-per-food-for-gaza/

²¹¹⁰ IFAD and Sierra Leone partner to boost farm productivity with Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 6 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/ifad-and-sierra-leone-partner-to-boost-farm-productivity-with-livestock-and-livelihoods-development-project>

²¹¹¹ Vertice G20, incontro bilaterale Meloni – Lula, Governo Italiano Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri (Rome) 17 November 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.governo.it/it/articolo/vertice-g20-incontro-bilaterale-meloni-lula/27063>

²¹¹² World Leaders Launch the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty (Rio de Janeiro) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://globalallianceagainsthungerandpoverty.org/new/world-leaders-launch-the-global-alliance-against-hunger-and-poverty-2/>

²¹¹³ Italy at the Forefront of the Humanitarian Emergency in Lebanon: Nine New Projects Launched for a Total of €5,400,000, Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (Beirut) 8 January 2025. Access Date: 8 May 2025. <https://www.aics.gov.it/news/litalia-in-prima-linea-per-lemergenza-umanitaria-in-libano-avviati-nove-nuovi-progetti-per-un-totale-di-5-400-000-euro/?lang=en>

²¹¹⁴ G7 Foreign Ministers’ Meeting Statement (Fiuggi-Anagni, Italy) 26 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/241126-statement.html>

²¹¹⁵ Food for Gaza. Arrivato oggi in Giordania da Brindisi il secondo volo italiano con 40 tonnellate di aiuti per la popolazione di Gaza, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 27 November 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 20 December 2024. https://www.esteri.it/it/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2024/11/food-for-gaza-arrivato-oggi-in-giordania-da-brindisi-il-secondo-volo-italiano-con-40-tonnellate-di-aiuti-per-la-popolazione-di-gaza/

On 29 July 2024, CDP officially signed a joint investment of EUR400 million, including EUR200 million from the CDP to finance private sector growth and launch a new Growth and Resilience Platform for Africa.²¹¹⁶ Food security will be among the major themes for private equity and venture capital to mobilize the funds towards.

On 20 December 2024, the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Edmondo Cirielli approved EUR115 million in funding for emergency aid, with EUR66 million allocated to protecting nutrition and health in Africa and EUR7 million allocated addressing food insecurity in Sudan and supporting Sudanese refugees in Chad and Ethiopia.²¹¹⁷

On 18 January 2025, Minister Lollobrigida attended the 17th Berlin Agriculture Ministers' conference with agriculture ministers from 62 countries and 14 international organization representatives in attendance.²¹¹⁸ In the final communique, the ministers committed to enhanced international cooperation for sustainable bioeconomy efforts, to advance climate action and global food security. The ministers also endorsed a German-funded Global Bioeconomy Partnership led by the UN Food and Agriculture Organization.

On 28 January 2025, the Italian Armed Forces delivered aid to civilians of the Gaza Strip, including 100 tonnes of food.²¹¹⁹

On 6 February 2025, Italy donated fifteen trucks of food aid to the WFP for civilians in Gaza, a highest concern hotspot region.²¹²⁰

On 10 February 2025, the Agency for Development Cooperation donated EUR6.55 million to the WFP in Sudan, providing nutrition assistance to 200,000 women and young children in this highest concern region.²¹²¹

On 21 February 2025, Italy contributed EUR3 million to the WFP and UNHCR, providing humanitarian aid to Rohingya refugees from Myanmar in Bangladesh.²¹²² This contribution will support food security in the region.

On 17 March 2025, Prime Minister Meloni met with King Abdullah II of Jordan and discussed the humanitarian crisis in Gaza.²¹²³ The two expressed appreciation for their cooperation in providing humanitarian aid to civilians.

²¹¹⁶ Africa Investment Forum: African Development Bank and Italy's CDP to Mobilise Up to €750 Million for Africa, African Development Bank (Abidjan) 10 December 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/press-releases/africa-investment-forum-african-development-bank-and-italys-cdp-mobilise-eu750-million-africa-79435>

²¹¹⁷ Deliberati contributi per 115 milioni di euro per iniziative di emergenza, Ministero degli Affari Esteri della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 20 December 2024. Translation Provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 28 February 2025. https://www.esteri.it/it/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2024/12/deliberati-contributi-per-115-milioni-di-euro-per-iniziativa-di-emergenza/

²¹¹⁸ 17th Berlin Agriculture Ministers' Conference 2025 Final Communiqué, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Berlin) 18 January 2025. Access Date: 17 February 2025. https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Downloads/EN/_International-Affairs/gffa-2025-communique-en.pdf?__blob=publicationFile&v=2

²¹¹⁹ Assistenza alla popolazione della Striscia di Gaza, la nota di Palazzo Chigi, Governo Italiano Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri (Rome) 28 January 2025. Translation Provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 19 February 2025. <https://www.governo.it/en/node/27570>

²¹²⁰ 15 Italian trucks delivered to WFP for humanitarian operations in Gaza, World Food Program (Ashdod) 6 February 2025. Access Date 27 February 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/15-italian-trucks-delivered-wfp-humanitarian-operations-gaza>

²¹²¹ Italy and WFP partner to reduce malnutrition in Eastern Sudan, World Food Program (Port Sudan) 10 February 2025. Access Date: 27 February 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/italy-and-wfp-partner-reduce-malnutrition-eastern-sudan>

²¹²² Italy partners with WFP and UNHCR to support Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh, World Food Programme (Dhaka) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 18 April 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/italy-partners-wfp-and-unhcr-support-rohingya-refugees-bangladesh>

²¹²³ Incontro del Presidente Meloni con il Re di Giordania, Abdullah II, Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri (Rome) 17 March 2025. Translation Provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 9 April 2025. <https://www.governo.it/it/articolo/incontro-del-presidente-meloni-con-il-re-di-giordania-abdullah-ii/27974>

On 27 March 2025, Minister Tajani announced EUR68 million for projects in Syria including food supply chains to combat insecurity.²¹²⁴

On 4 April 2025, Italy donated EUR4 million to the WFP, connecting local farmers with school food programs, enhancing student nutrition, and supporting sustainable agriculture in Malawi, a hotspot.²¹²⁵

On 10 April 2025, Ambassador to Mali Stefano Dejak and the Italian Development Cooperation Agency delivered food aid as part of an EUR4.1 million package.²¹²⁶

On 7 May 2025, Director General for Development Cooperation of the Farnesina Stefano Gatti led a delegation to Ghana, Côte d'Ivoire, and Guinea supported by the Mattei Plan Implementation Unit.²¹²⁷ The mission prioritized the transformation of agri-food systems across the region. In Ghana, the delegation presented a new initiative focused on strengthening sustainable food production and rural livelihoods through partnerships with Mediterranean agricultural institutes and private sector actors. In Guinea, they committed to expanding cooperation in the coffee, cocoa, and rice sectors. Across all three countries, the delegation identified strategic priorities and operational methods to scale up food system interventions, integrating professional training and entrepreneurship support. These efforts reaffirmed Italy's commitment to strengthening food resilience and rural development under the Mattei Plan.

Italy has fully complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine. Italy has taken strong action to address the global food and security nutrition crisis in the Palestinian Territories, Mali and Sudan which are highest concern areas, Chad, Syria and Myanmar which are high concern areas, and Sierra Leone, Mozambique, Malawi, Lebanon and Ethiopia which are classified as food insecurity hotspots. Italy also partnered with the with the African Development Bank to provide significant financing for the private sector including for Agriculture highest concern, high concern, and hotspot areas in Africa under the Mattei Plan

Thus, Italy receives a score of +1.

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²¹²⁴ Italy pledges 68 million euros in aid for Syria, Reuters (Rome) 27 March 2025. Access Date: 8 May 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/italy-pledges-68-million-euros-aid-syria-2025-03-27>

²¹²⁵ WFP and Italy partner to expand home-grown school feeding and resilience interventions in Malawi, World Food Programme (Lilongwe) 4 April 2025. Access Date: 18 April 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/wfp-and-italy-partner-expand-home-grown-school-feeding-and-resilience-interventions-malawi>

²¹²⁶ Italy's ambassador to Mali delivers food aid to orphanages, National Associated Press Agency (Rome) 10 April 2025. Access Date: 8 May 2025. https://www.ansa.it/amp/english/news/news_from_ambassies/2025/04/10/italys-ambassador-to-mali-delivers-food-aid-to-orphanages_dfea9ed4-1c0d-40cc-9b2f-78697edc7c99.html

²¹²⁷ Piano Mattei: missione di sistema in Ghana, Costa d'Avorio e Guinea (7-13 maggio), Agenzia Italiana Per la Cooperazione (Rome) 16 May 2025. Access Date: 7 June 2025. <https://www.aics.gov.it/news/missione-del-sistema-italiano-della-cooperazione-allo-sviluppo-in-ghana-costa-davorio-e-guinea/>

²¹²⁸ Work Program for Least Developed Country Fund, Global Environmental Facility (Washington D.C.) 19 June 2024. Access Date: 27 September 2024. https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/documents/2024-05/EN_GEF.LDCF._SCCF_.C.36.03.Rev_.01_Work%20Program_LDCF.pdf

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On 2 July 2024, Japan alongside the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Executive Board and Malawi inaugurated a USD58 million programme for agricultural development, enhancing agricultural production and increasing food security in this hotspot region.²¹²⁹

On 8 August 2024, Japan contributed JPY300 million to the World Food Programme (WFP) to support food security in Mozambique.²¹³⁰

On 13 August 2024, Counsellor of the Embassy of Japan in Gambia Shinichi Hirose and Gambia's Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Cooperation and Gambia's Abroad Ambassador Lang Yabou signed a JPY250 million grant whereby Japan will support food security in Gambia, through rice.²¹³¹

On 14 August 2024, Ambassador to Lesotho Shigeru Ushio and Country Director of the WFP in Lesotho Aurore Rusiga discussed Japan's plan to provide JPY200 million in aid to Lesotho through the WFP.²¹³² This funding aims to ensure food security by supplying rice, canned fish and other products.

On 14 August 2024, Ambassador to South Sudan Toshiro Odagiri and Country Director of the WFP in South Sudan Mary-Ellen McGroarty discussed Japan's plan to provide JPY500 million in food aid to South Sudan.²¹³³ This funding will be used to ensure food security through the provision of rice, especially given the rise of refugees and displaced persons in South Sudan.

On 14 August 2024, Ambassador for Palestinian Relations and Chief Permanent Representative of Japan to Palestine Yoichi Nakajima and Representative and Country Director of the WFP in Palestine Antoine Renard signed an agreement whereby Japan will provide JPY400 million in food aid for Palestine through the WFP.²¹³⁴

On 15 August 2024, Japan contributed USD2.5 million towards food security in Zambia and Namibia in response to drought conditions.²¹³⁵

On 21 August 2024, Ambassador Zimbabwe Shinichi Yamanaka and Deputy Country Director of the WFP in Zimbabwe Billy Mwiinga discussed Japan's plans to provide JPY200 million in food aid to Zimbabwe through

²¹²⁹ New US\$53 million agricultural development programme launched in Malawi to combat food insecurity, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 2 July 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/new-us-53-million-agricultural-development-programme-launched-in-malawi-to-combat-food-insecurity>

²¹³⁰ WFP welcomes US\$2 million from the Government of Japan to support the humanitarian response in Mozambique, World Food Program (Maputo) 8 August 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/wfp-welcomes-us2-million-government-japan-support-humanitarian-response-mozambique>

²¹³¹ ガンビア共和国に対する無償資金協力「食糧援助」に関する書簡の署名・交換, 外務省 (Tokyo) 14 August 2024. Translated by Google Translate. Access Date: 21 November 2024. https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/press/release/pressit_000001_01004.html

²¹³² レント王国に対する無償資金協力「食糧援助(WFP連携)」に関する書簡の署名・交換, 外務省 (Tokyo) 15 August 2024. Translated by Google Translate. Access Date: 21 November 2024. https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/press/release/pressit_000001_01006.html

²¹³³ 南スーダンに対する無償資金協力「食糧援助(WFP連携)」に関する書簡の署名・交換, 外務省 (Tokyo) 15 August 2024. Translated by Google Translate. Access Date: 21 November 2024. https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/press/release/pressit_000001_01007.html

²¹³⁴ パレスチナに対する無償資金協力「食糧援助(WFP連携)」に関する書簡の交換, 外務省 (Tokyo) 15 August 2024. Translated by Google Translate. Access Date: 21 November 2024. https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/press/release/pressit_000001_01013.html

²¹³⁵ Emergency Grant Aid in response to the Drought in Zambia and Namibia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Tokyo) 15 August 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00483.html

the WFP.²¹³⁶ This funding will support food security by supplying rice, millet, edible oil and other products to the population.

On 27 August 2024, Ambassador to Sierra Leone Mochizuki Hisanobu met with the Representative and Country Director of the World Food Programme in Sierra Leone to provide JPY200 million in grant aid to the region.²¹³⁷ This aid, delivered through the World Food Programme, aims to address the severe food crisis affecting over seven million people in Sierra Leone which is a hotspot region by sending rice, beans and other products.

On 3 September 2024, Japan contributed JPY200 million to support food security in Sierra Leone, a hotspot area.²¹³⁸

On 9 September 2024, Japan contributed USD2 million to the WFP to support food security in Zambia, a hotspot area.²¹³⁹

On 19 September 2024, Japan contributed USD500,000 to the WFP to support food security in Namibia, a hotspot area.²¹⁴⁰

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On 23 September 2024, Foreign Ministers from Japan, the United Kingdom, Australia, Jordan, Switzerland, Indonesia, Sierra Leone, Brazil and Colombia released a joint statement announcing the formation of a Ministerial Group for the Protection of Humanitarian Personnel in conflict zones.²¹⁴² This will help humanitarian personnel better deliver and protect food aid to affected civilians.

On 21 October 2024, Japan announced a USD10 million emergency grant for Lebanon amidst its escalating humanitarian situations.²¹⁴³ Of this, USD2 million will go to the WFP to support food aid.

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²¹³⁶ ジンバブエに対する無償資金協力「食糧援助(WFP連携)」に関する書簡の署名・交換, 外務省 (Tokyo) 22 August 2024.

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²¹³⁷ シエラレオネ共和国に対する無償資金協力「食糧援助(WFP連携)」に関する書簡の署名・交換, 外務省 (東京), 外務省 (Tokyo) 28 August 2024. Translated by Google Translate. Access Date: 26 October 2024.

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²¹³⁸ Japan and WFP join hands to tackle food insecurity and promote education in Sierra Leone, World Food Programme (Freetown) 3 September 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/japan-and-wfp-join-hands-tackle-food-insecurity-and-promote-education-sierra-leone>

²¹³⁹ Japan provides critical funding for WFP's drought response in Zambia, World Food Programme (Lusaka) 9 September 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/japan-provides-critical-funding-wfpps-drought-response-zambia>

²¹⁴⁰ Japan and WFP support drought affected communities in Namibia, World Food Programme (Windhoek) 19 September 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/japan-and-wfp-support-drought-affected-communities-namibia>

²¹⁴¹ Foreign Ministers' Chair's Statement (New York) 23 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024.

<https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/240923-statement.html>

²¹⁴² Towards a new Declaration for the Protection of Humanitarian Personnel, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 23 September 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/towards-a-new-declaration-for-the-protection-of-humanitarian-personnel>

²¹⁴³ レバノンにおける人道状況の悪化を受けた緊急無償資金協力, 外務省 (Tokyo) 21 October 2024. Translated by Google Translate. Access Date: 21 November 2024. https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/press/release/pressit_000001_01294.html

²¹⁴⁴ Mr Thani Mohamed-Soilihi, Minister of State for Francophonie and International Partnerships, attended the G7 Development Meeting in Pescara, Italy, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/summits-and-global-affairs/france-s-action-in-the-g7/article/mr-thani-mohamed-soilihi-minister-of-state-for-francophonie-and-international>

sustainable, resilient and inclusive food systems and for the Innovation Challenge project which aims to combat malnutrition.

On 24 October 2024, the Japan International Cooperation Agency and the Japan Bank for International Cooperation joined the G7 Public Development Banks and Development Financial Institutions in a Collaborative on Sustainable Food Systems.²¹⁴⁵ This collaborative aims to strengthen cooperation and private sector participation in enhancing food security within global emerging markets.

On 29 October, Japan agreed to grant USD10 million for humanitarian support in Syria including USD2 million for food aid.²¹⁴⁶

On 6 November 2024, Japan alongside the IFAD Executive Board and Sierra Leone signed a USD105 million agreement for the Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project over eight years.²¹⁴⁷ This project supports local farmers while enhancing food security and sustainable development in Sierra Leone, a hotspot region.

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On 18 November 2024, Japan donated USD2 million to the WFP to address food insecurity in Lebanon amidst recent conflict.²¹⁴⁹ The funding will be used for food aid including ready-to-eat rations for vulnerable families in the country.

On 21 November 2024, Japan committed USD5.1 million to the WFP for a project to support 37,000 smallholder farmers in Zimbabwe affected by the climate crisis and drought.²¹⁵⁰ The funding will be used to provide food assistance and enable climate-adaptation “by establishing water-based infrastructure, developing value chains and strengthening agricultural extension service capacity.”

On 26 November 2024, G7 foreign ministers released a Statement condemning the increase in Russian attacks in the Black Sea region which impact global food security.²¹⁵¹ The ministers also welcomed the “Food for Gaza” initiative, acknowledged the importance of humanitarian aid to address food insecurity in Gaza, encouraged the

²¹⁴⁵ G7 financial institutions team up for sustainable food systems, European Investment Bank (Pescara) 24 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2024-390-g7-financial-institutions-team-up-for-sustainable-food-systems>

²¹⁴⁶ Emergency Grant in response to the deterioration of the humanitarian situation in Syria, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Tokyo) 29 October 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00681.html

²¹⁴⁷ IFAD and Sierra Leone partner to boost farm productivity with Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 6 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/ifad-and-sierra-leone-partner-to-boost-farm-productivity-with-livestock-and-livelihoods-development-project>

²¹⁴⁸ World Leaders Launch the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty (Rio de Janeiro) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://globalallianceagainsthungerandpoverty.org/new/world-leaders-launch-the-global-alliance-against-hunger-and-poverty-2/>

²¹⁴⁹ Japan Provides US\$2 million to assist people impacted by recent conflict in Lebanon, World Food Programme (Beirut) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.wfp.org/news/japan-provides-us2-million-assist-people-impacted-recent-conflict-lebanon>

²¹⁵⁰ Japan Supports Climate Resilience and Sustainable Agriculture in Zimbabwe, World Food Programme (Harare) 21 November 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.wfp.org/news/japan-supports-climate-resilience-and-sustainable-agriculture-zimbabwe>

²¹⁵¹ G7 Foreign Ministers’ Meeting Statement (Fiuggi-Anagni, Italy) 26 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/241126-statement.html>

launch of the G7 Apulia Food Systems Initiative to address food insecurity and fight child malnutrition in Africa, expressed concern about rising food insecurity in Haiti and encouraged increased humanitarian aid to help the Haitian people.

On 18 January 2025, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Taku Eto attended the 17th Berlin Agriculture Ministers' conference with agriculture ministers from 62 countries and 14 international organization representatives in attendance.²¹⁵² In the final communique, the ministers committed to enhanced international cooperation for sustainable bioeconomy efforts, to advance climate action and global food security. The ministers also endorsed a German-funded Global Bioeconomy Partnership led by the UN Food and Agriculture Organization.

On 29 January 2025, Japan donated JPY200 million to WFP operations providing emergency food assistance in Cameroon.²¹⁵³

On 13 February 2025, Japan donated JPY150 million to WFP operations supporting local agricultural production and distributing emergency food rations in Sudan.²¹⁵⁴

On 18 February 2025, Japan donated USD1.57 million to WFP operations addressing food insecurity, enhancing natural disaster recovery and supporting local agricultural capacity in Malawi, a hotspot.²¹⁵⁵

On 21 February 2025, Japan donated USD58 million to the WFP, supporting food security for vulnerable in twenty-eight countries.²¹⁵⁶ This funding addresses the food security crisis in Palestine, Mali, South Sudan, Yemen, Chad, Myanmar, Burkina Faso, Somalia, Ethiopia, Lebanon, Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe, including several other non-hotspot countries across Asia, the Middle East and Africa.

On 21 February 2025, the Government of Japan donated USD11.9 million to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) to scale up humanitarian aid across Africa, Asia, Europe and the Middle East.²¹⁵⁷ These funds will enable fourteen critical projects addressing economic shocks, enhancing food security, agricultural support in many countries including Afghanistan, Chad, Mozambique and Mali.

On 10 March 2025, the WFP announced that Japan will support its “home-grown school meals programme” to advance food security for 18,000 students in Haiti over 2025 and 2026.²¹⁵⁸ In addition, Japan's contribution will support training and skills development for local farmers and strengthen the local food system and economy.

²¹⁵² 17th Berlin Agriculture Ministers' Conference 2025 Final Communiqué, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Berlin) 18 January 2025. Access Date: 17 February 2025. https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Downloads/EN/_International-Affairs/gffa-2025-communique-en.pdf?__blob=publicationFile&v=2

²¹⁵³ Japan and WFP join forces to strengthen food security of vulnerable populations in Cameroon, World Food Programme (Yaounde) 29 January 2025. Access Date: 28 February 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/japan-and-wfp-join-forces-strengthen-food-security-vulnerable-populations-cameroon>

²¹⁵⁴ WFP welcomes contribution from Japan to save lives in war-torn Sudan, World Food Programme (Nairobi) 13 February 2025. Access Date: 28 February 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/wfp-welcomes-contribution-japan-save-lives-war-torn-sudan>

²¹⁵⁵ Japan steps up funding to WFP to strengthen food security and expand agricultural exports in Malawi, World Food Programme (Lilongwe) 18 February 2025. Access Date: 28 February 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/japan-steps-funding-wfp-strengthen-food-security-and-expand-agricultural-exports-malawi>

²¹⁵⁶ WFP welcomes Japan's commitment to action against global hunger, World Food Programme (Yokohama) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 28 February 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/wfp-welcomes-japans-commitment-action-against-global-hunger>

²¹⁵⁷ Japan contributes \$11.9 million to scale up FAO's emergency and resilience activities, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (Rome) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 10 April 2025. <https://www.fao.org/newsroom/detail/japan-contributes--11.9-million-to-scale-up-fao-s-emergency-and-resilience-activities/en>

²¹⁵⁸ Japan supports nearly 18,000 students through WFP's school meals programme in Haiti, World Food Programme (Port-Au-Prince) 10 March 2025. Access Date: 29 April 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/japan-supports-nearly-18000-students-through-wfps-school-meals-programme-haiti>

On 24 March 2025, Japan and the WFP announced a USD2 million to support over 27,000 in southern Angola affected by a severe drought.²¹⁵⁹ This initiative will promote sustainable access to water, boost agricultural production, and improve the livelihoods of the communities impacted by the drought. The Government of Japan, Government of Angola and the WFP will achieve this through providing solar-power water supply, small-scale irrigation systems and technical assistance and skill training.

Japan has fully complied with its commitment in addressing the global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine. Japan has taken strong action to address the food security crisis in all five of the highest concern areas, Mali, South Sudan, Sudan, Haiti and Palestine and eleven high concern or hotspot areas, Yemen, Chad, Myanmar, Sierra Leone, Malawi, Lebanon, Syria, Somalia, Ethiopia, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Thus, Japan receives a score of +1.

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The United Kingdom has fully complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine.

On 19 June 2024, the United Kingdom's Senior Responsible Officer for the Global Environmental Facility (GEF) Ben Greene and the GEF Council approved USD35.3 million in funding through the Least Developed Country Fund to projects addressing the global food security crisis. These projects include increasing food security and nutrition in Angola, scaling-up agricultural nature-based solutions to improve food security in Sierra Leone and improving climate data systems that ensure food security and sustainable livelihoods for over 1.5 million people in Tanzania.

On 2 July 2024, the United Kingdom alongside the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Executive Board and Malawi inaugurated a USD58 million programme for agricultural development, enhancing agricultural production and increasing food security in this hotspot region.²¹⁶⁰

On 22 July 2024, Deputy Political Coordinator Laura Dix spoke at the United Nations Security Council, highlighting the urgency of providing humanitarian aid to civilians in Syria and alleviating severe food scarcity in the high concern region.²¹⁶¹

On 22 August 2024, Minister of State for Development and for Women and Equalities Anneliese Dodds announced a support package providing food to 180,000 people and malnutrition treatment to 15,000 children in South Sudan, a highest concern hotspot region.²¹⁶²

²¹⁵⁹ WFP and Japan support Angola to strengthen food and water security in drought-stricken areas, World Food Programme (Luanda) 24 March 2025. Access Date: 10 April 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/wfp-and-japan-support-angola-strengthen-food-and-water-security-drought-stricken-areas>

²¹⁶⁰ New US\$53 million agricultural development programme launched in Malawi to combat food insecurity, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 2 July 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/new-us-53-million-agricultural-development-programme-launched-in-malawi-to-combat-food-insecurity>

²¹⁶¹ Aid access in Syria should be granted for as long as it is needed: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 22 July 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/aid-access-in-syria-should-be-granted-for-as-long-as-it-is-needed-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

²¹⁶² Development Minister calls for urgent humanitarian action for crisis-hit South Sudan, announcing life-saving support package on first Africa trip, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 22 August 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/development-minister-calls-for-urgent-humanitarian-action-for-crisis-hit-south-sudan-announcing-life-saving-support-package-on-first-africa-trip>

On 29 August 2024, High Commissioner to Bangladesh Sarah Cooke announced GBP450,000 in humanitarian assistance to support the 36,000 people affected by flooding in Bangladesh.²¹⁶³ This substantial food and sanitation support helps to address the food security crisis in the region.

On 5 September 2024, Minister for Africa Ray Collins announced new a GBP25 million investment into the African food and agriculture sector to scale up early-stage agribusinesses.²¹⁶⁴ This strengthens resilience to climate change and promotes food security across the continent, including in several hotspot regions. The contribution will be administered by AgDevCo. AgDevCo operates in Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique and Zambia among other African countries.²¹⁶⁵

On 13 September 2024, British International Investment announced USD3 million for the Commercial Agriculture for Smallholders and Agribusiness (CASA) technical assistance facility.²¹⁶⁶ CASA operates in “23 countries across Africa and Asia.”²¹⁶⁷

On 23 September 2024, Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs David Lammy and Foreign Ministers from Australia, Jordan, Switzerland, Indonesia, Sierra Leone, Japan, Brazil and Colombia released a joint statement announcing the formation of a Ministerial Group for the Protection of Humanitarian Personnel in conflict zones.²¹⁶⁸ This will help humanitarian personnel better deliver and protect food aid to affected civilians.

On 23 September 2024, G7 foreign ministers reiterated their support of humanitarian aid to Ukraine, Gaza and Sudan.²¹⁶⁹ Members also expressed their commitment to cooperation with African states to improve food security and agricultural productivity.

On 16 October 2024, Secretary Lammy called on Israel to ensure civilian protection and access to food aid in Gaza.²¹⁷⁰ This followed a government commitment to match donations to the Disasters Emergency Committee Middle East Humanitarian Appeal which is providing food, water, shelter and medicine in Gaza, Lebanon and the West Bank.

On 17 October 2024, the United Kingdom, France, Canada, the US Agency for International Development, Norway, Sweden, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland and the European Commissioner for Crisis

²¹⁶³ UK government announces a further £450,000 in humanitarian assistance to support more than 36,000 people affected by flooding in eastern Bangladesh, British High Commission Dhaka (London) 29 August 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-government-announces-a-further-450000-in-humanitarian-assistance-to-support-more-than-36000-people-affected-by-flooding-in-eastern-bangladesh>

²¹⁶⁴ Minister for Africa pledges funding to accelerate growth in Africa agriculture sector, Government of the United Kingdom (London), 5 September 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/minister-for-africa-pledges-funding-to-accelerate-growth-in-africa-agriculture-sector>

²¹⁶⁵ Our Investments, AgDevCo (London) n.d. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.agdevco.com/our-investments/>

²¹⁶⁶ BII and FMO join forces with the UK Government to boost finance for agribusinesses, British International Investment (London) 13 September 2024. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://www.bii.co.uk/en/news-insight/news/bii-and-fmo-join-forces-with-the-uk-government-to-boost-finance-for-agribusinesses/>

²¹⁶⁷ Where CASA Works, Commercial Agriculture for Smallholders and Agribusiness (London) n.d. Access Date: 2 January 2025. <https://casaprogramme.com/new-where-casa-works/>

²¹⁶⁸ Towards a new Declaration for the Protection of Humanitarian Personnel, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 23 September 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/towards-a-new-declaration-for-the-protection-of-humanitarian-personnel>

²¹⁶⁹ Foreign Ministers’ Chair’s Statement (New York) 23 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/240923-statement.html>

²¹⁷⁰ Foreign Secretary statement on aid to Gaza, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/foreign-secretary-statement-on-aid-to-gaza>

Management released a joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan.²¹⁷¹ The joint statement called for immediate, coordinated assistance to address a humanitarian crisis marked by food insecurity and famine. It also highlighted famine conditions in Zamzam camp for displaced people, an elevated famine risk in South Kordofan and a severe food crisis in Darfur.

On 17 October 2024, the Charity Commission for England and Wales and the Fundraising Regulator published advice on how people can donate food and other resources to civilians in conflict zones in the Middle East.²¹⁷² This helps increase the distribution of emergency items and food in the region.

On 22 October 2024, G7 development ministers adopted a joint statement at the G7 Development Meeting in Italy.²¹⁷³ The Ministers reaffirmed their support for the G7 Apulia Initiative which works towards establishing sustainable, resilient and inclusive food systems and for the Innovation Challenge project which aims to combat malnutrition.

On 24 October 2024, British International Investment joined the G7 Public Development Banks and Development Financial Institutions in a Collaborative on Sustainable Food Systems.²¹⁷⁴ This collaborative aims to strengthen cooperation and private sector participation in enhancing food security within global emerging markets.

On 27 October 2024, Prime Minister Keir Starmer and Secretary Lammy committed to promoting food security through the Inter-American Development Bank's One Caribbean fund in Samoa.²¹⁷⁵

On 29 October 2024, Ambassador Barbara Woodward reaffirmed the United Kingdom's support for food and water aid in Palestine and pushed for Israel to fully comply with international law in a speech to the United Nations Security Council.²¹⁷⁶

On 6 November 2024, the United Kingdom alongside the IFAD Executive Board and Sierra Leone signed a USD105 million agreement for the Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project over eight years.²¹⁷⁷ This project supports local farmers while enhancing food security and sustainable development in Sierra Leone, a hotspot region.

²¹⁷¹ Joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan by the UK, USAID, Norway, Sweden, France, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland, Canada and the European Commissioner for Crisis Management, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 17 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/sudan/news/article/joint-donor-statement-on-humanitarian-access-in-sudan-by-the-uk-usaid-norway>

²¹⁷² Regulators urge safer giving to help people impacted by humanitarian crisis in the Middle East, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 17 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/regulators-urge-safer-giving-to-help-people-impacted-by-humanitarian-crisis-in-the-middle-east>

²¹⁷³ Mr Thani Mohamed-Soilihi, Minister of State for Francophonie and International Partnerships, attended the G7 Development Meeting in Pescara, Italy, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/summits-and-global-affairs/france-s-action-in-the-g7/article/mr-thani-mohamed-soilihi-minister-of-state-for-francophonie-and-international>

²¹⁷⁴ G7 financial institutions team up for sustainable food systems, European Investment Bank (Pescara) 24 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2024-390-g7-financial-institutions-team-up-for-sustainable-food-systems>

²¹⁷⁵ UK attends Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in Samoa, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 27 October 2024. Access Date: 29 October 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-attends-commonwealth-heads-of-government-meeting-in-samoa>

²¹⁷⁶ There is no justification for denying civilians in Gaza access to life-saving aid: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of United Kingdom (London) 29 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/there-is-no-justification-for-denying-civilians-in-gaza-access-to-life-saving-aid-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

²¹⁷⁷ IFAD and Sierra Leone partner to boost farm productivity with Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 6 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/ifad-and-sierra-leone-partner-to-boost-farm-productivity-with-livestock-and-livelihoods-development-project>

On 17 November 2024, the United Kingdom announced GBP113 million in food, medical and other aid for civilians in Sudan and displaced refugees.²¹⁷⁸ This funding addresses the global food security crisis in a highest concern region.

On 18 November 2024, the G20 officially launched the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty at the G20 Summit in Rio de Janeiro.²¹⁷⁹ The Global Alliance will work to “eradicate hunger and poverty” by 2030 while supporting sustainable development and reducing inequalities, with the United Kingdom as one of 148 founding members. Beneficiary members of the Alliance include Mali, Palestine and Haiti which are highest concern areas, Chad and Myanmar which are high concern areas and Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Somalia, Ethiopia, Lebanon and Mozambique which are hotspot areas.

On 20 November 2024, the United Kingdom pledged GBP1 million to aid civilians suffering from the recent typhoons that struck the Philippines.²¹⁸⁰ This action increases the provision of vital food and water aid to civilians.

On 26 November 2024, G7 Foreign Ministers released a statement condemning the increase in Russian attacks in the Black Sea region which impact global food security.²¹⁸¹ The ministers also welcomed the “Food for Gaza” initiative, acknowledged the importance of humanitarian aid to address food insecurity in Gaza, encouraged the launch of the G7 Apulia Food Systems Initiative to address food insecurity and fight child malnutrition in Africa, expressed concern about rising food insecurity in Haiti and encouraged increased humanitarian aid to help the Haitian people.

On 29 November 2024, the United Kingdom announced GBP70 million in funding for the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty.²¹⁸² Of this, up to GBP50 million will go towards the Resilience and Adaptation Fund which uses climate finance to support food-insecure households in Ethiopia, Chad and Bangladesh and GBP25.5 will support Commercial Agriculture for Smallholders and Agribusiness in Africa and Asia.

On 2 December 2024, Minister Dodds announced GBP12 million in funding for the United Nations’ Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs and the WFP and GBP7 million for the United Nations Relief and Works Agency’s Flash Humanitarian Appeal for Gaza.²¹⁸³ This funding will enable the delivery of food assistance for food insecure Palestinians in the region.

On 15 December 2024, Secretary Lammy announced GBP50 million in funding for Syria, including food aid.²¹⁸⁴

²¹⁷⁸ UK doubles aid for Sudan and neighbouring countries facing the worst humanitarian crisis of the decade, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 17 November 2024. Access Date: 2 December 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-doubles-aid-for-sudan-and-neighbouring-countries-facing-the-worst-humanitarian-crisis-of-the-decade>

²¹⁷⁹ World Leaders Launch the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty (Rio de Janeiro) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://globalallianceagainsthungerandpoverty.org/new/world-leaders-launch-the-global-alliance-against-hunger-and-poverty-2/>

²¹⁸⁰ UK supports Philippine humanitarian response with £1 million, Government of United Kingdom (London) 24 November 2024. Access Date: 2 December 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-supports-philippine-humanitarian-response-with-1-million>

²¹⁸¹ G7 Foreign Ministers’ Meeting Statement (Fiuggi-Anagni, Italy) 26 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/241126-statement.html>

²¹⁸² UK joins Brazil’s Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty and announces investment in global food security, Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty (Rio de Janeiro) 29 November 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://globalallianceagainsthungerandpoverty.org/new/uk-joins-brazils-global-alliance-against-hunger-and-poverty-and-announces-investment-in-global-food-security/>

²¹⁸³ UK bolsters humanitarian funding for Gaza on minister’s visit to the region, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 2 December 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-bolsters-humanitarian-funding-for-gaza-on-ministers-visit-to-the-region>

²¹⁸⁴ UK announces £50 million new support for vulnerable Syrians, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 15 December 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-announces-50m-new-support-for-vulnerable-syrians>

On 30 December 2024, Minister Dodds announced GBP61 million in humanitarian aid, including food, for civilians in the Middle East, Africa and Asia.²¹⁸⁵

On 6 January 2025, the United Kingdom released a joint statement with the European Union, the United States, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Norway, the Republic of Korea, Switzerland and Timor-Leste expressing concern over Myanmar's ongoing humanitarian crisis which has left over 15 million people facing acute food insecurity.²¹⁸⁶

On 18 January 2025, the United Kingdom attended the 17th Berlin Agriculture Ministers' conference with agriculture ministers from 62 countries and 14 international organization representatives in attendance.²¹⁸⁷ In the final communique, the ministers committed to enhanced international cooperation for sustainable bioeconomy efforts, to advance climate action and global food security. The ministers also endorsed a German-funded Global Bioeconomy Partnership led by the UN Food and Agriculture Organization.

On 20 January 2025, the United Kingdom announced the launch of a Grain Verification Scheme to track stolen grain from occupied areas in Ukraine.²¹⁸⁸ This initiative strengthens Ukraine's domestic food security and protects its capacity to contribute to international supply chains.

On 25 January 2025, Minister Lammy announced GBP20 million providing food assistance and emergency healthcare to refugees at the Chad-Sudan border.²¹⁸⁹

On 28 January 2025, Minister Dodds announced GBP17 million in humanitarian aid, including food, to the occupied Palestinian Territories.²¹⁹⁰

On 31 January 2025, the United Kingdom released a joint statement with Australia, Canada, the European Union, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland and the United States calling for de-escalation of violence and full humanitarian access in Myanmar.²¹⁹¹ In their statement, the allies recognized the acute food crisis in the region.

²¹⁸⁵ UK pledges relief to meet dire humanitarian need in the Middle East, Africa, and Asia, London, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 30 December 2024. Access Date: 19 February 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-pledges-relief-to-meet-dire-humanitarian-need-in-the-middle-east-africa-and-asia>

²¹⁸⁶ Myanmar human rights and humanitarian situation: joint statement, January 2025, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 6 January 2025. Access Date: 19 February 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/joint-press-statement-on-the-human-rights-and-humanitarian-situation-in-myanmar>

²¹⁸⁷ 17th Berlin Agriculture Ministers' Conference 2025 Final Communiqué, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Berlin) 18 January 2025. Access Date: 17 February 2025. https://www.bmel.de/SharedDocs/Downloads/EN/_International-Affairs/gffa-2025-communique-en.pdf

²¹⁸⁸ UK and Ukraine agree cutting-edge scheme to protect food security, Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (London) 20 January 2025. Access Date: 19 February 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-and-ukraine-agree-cutting-edge-scheme-to-protect-food-security>

²¹⁸⁹ "Sudan must not be forgotten": David Lammy announces political and humanitarian action to address 'catastrophe' in Sudan, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 25 January 2025. Access Date: 28 February 2025.

²¹⁹⁰ New humanitarian support for Gaza as ceasefire allows operations to scale up, Commonwealth and Development Office (London) 28 January 2025. Access Date: 28 February 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-humanitarian-support-for-gaza-as-ceasefire-allows-operations-to-scale-up>

²¹⁹¹ Four Years from the Military Coup in Myanmar: Joint Statement by Australia, Canada, the European Union, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 31 January 2025. Access Date: 22 February 2025. <https://www.state.gov/four-years-from-the-military-coup-in-myanmar-joint-statement-by-australia-canada-the-european-union-the-republic-of-korea-new-zealand-norway-switzerland-the-united-kingdom-and-the-united-state/>

On 1 February 2025, the United Kingdom announced additional humanitarian aid to support 1 million people in Myanmar.²¹⁹²

On 5 February 2025, the United Kingdom pledged GBP55 million in Ukrainian grain supplies to Syria.²¹⁹³

On 20 February 2025, British International Investment contributed USD50 million to a USD85 million joint investment with Swedfund and Norfund in AgDevCo, a project developer and specialist investor supporting agribusinesses and enhancing food security in sub-Saharan Africa.²¹⁹⁴

On 26 February 2025, British International Investment provided a USD20 million anchor investment in Summit Africa's Private Equity Fund I.²¹⁹⁵ This fund addresses the food security crisis across Africa by supporting small-and-medium-sized businesses and mitigating food waste through enhanced food processing and distribution systems.

On 12 March 2025, Minister for Africa Ray Collins gave a speech marking the launch of the Joint United Nations Initiative for the Prevention of Wasting.²¹⁹⁶ The initiative plans to address severe malnutrition in children to support the goal of ending malnutrition by 2030.

On 17 March 2025, the United Kingdom government pledged GBP160 million in aid including food, water, and healthcare support to help stabilize Syria after the fall of the Assad regime.²¹⁹⁷

On 27 March 2025, Minister of State for Development Jennifer Chapman announced the launch of the Global Compact on Nutrition Integration.²¹⁹⁸ This will establish a global framework to combat malnutrition globally.

On 29 March 2025, Minister Chapman announced up to GBP10 million in aid for Myanmar following a devastating earthquake, including food and other life-saving assistance.²¹⁹⁹

On 4 April 2025, Minister for the Indo-Pacific Catherine West announced an additional GBP10 million to support essential humanitarian needs including food, healthcare, shelter and hygiene in Myanmar following an

²¹⁹² UK announces additional humanitarian funding for Myanmar, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 1 February 2025. Access Date: 19 February 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-announces-additional-humanitarian-funding-for-myanmar>

²¹⁹³ New UK support for Ukraine drives forward 100 Year Partnership, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 5 February 2025. Access Date: 19 February 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-uk-support-for-ukraine-drives-forward-100-year-partnership>

²¹⁹⁴ BII, Swedfund and Norfund invest \$85 million in AgDevCo to support agribusinesses in Africa, British International Investment (London) 20 February 2025. Access Date: 28 February 2025. <https://www.bii.co.uk/en/news-insight/news/bii-swedfund-and-norfund-invest-85-million-in-agdevco-to-support-agribusinesses-in-africa/?fl=true>

²¹⁹⁵ Summit Africa launches private equity fund II with US\$20 million anchor commitment from British International Investment, supporting businesses in South Africa and the Southern African region, British International Investment (London) 26 February 2025. Access Date: 28 February 2025. <https://www.bii.co.uk/en/news-insight/news/summit-africa-launches-private-equity-fund-ii-with-us20-million-anchor-commitment-from-british-international-investment-supporting-businesses-in-south-africa-and-the-southern-african-region/?fl=true>

²¹⁹⁶ Joint UN Initiative for the Prevention of Wasting: Lord Collins' speech, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 12 March 2025. Access Date: 7 April 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/joint-un-initiative-for-the-prevention-of-wasting-lord-collins-speech>

²¹⁹⁷ UK pledges up to £160 million to support Syria's recovery and stability in post-Assad era, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 17 March 2025. Access Date: 7 April 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-pledges-up-to-160-million-to-support-syrias-recovery-and-stability-in-post-assad-era>

²¹⁹⁸ Launch of the Global Compact on Nutrition Integration: Baroness Chapman's speech, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 27 March 2025. Access Date: 7 April 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/launch-of-the-global-compact-on-nutrition-integration-baroness-chapmans-speech>

²¹⁹⁹ UK sends life-saving aid to the people of Myanmar following devastating earthquake, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 29 March 2025. Access Date: 7 April 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-sends-life-saving-aid-to-the-people-of-myanmar-following-devastating-earthquake>

earthquake.²²⁰⁰ This brings the United Kingdom's total contribution to GBP25 million, including the funding announced on 29 March 2025 and the announcement of GBP5 million to match donations to the Disasters Emergency Committee public appeal for Myanmar on 3 April 2025.

The United Kingdom has partially complied with its commitment to address global food insecurity. The United Kingdom has taken strong action to address food insecurity in three of the five areas of "highest concern": the Palestinian Territories, South Sudan and Sudan. The UK has also taken strong action in at nine of the 13 areas of "very high concern" and "hotspots" through funding programs to Lebanon, Sierra Leone, Malawi, Ethiopia, Kenya, Mozambique, Zambia, Chad and Syria.

Thus, the United Kingdom receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Joseph Mai

United States: 0

The United States has partially complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine.

On 19 June 2024, Deputy Director at the Department of the Treasury Abigail Demopoulos and the Global Environmental Facility Council approved USD35.3 million in funding through the Least Developed Country Fund to projects addressing the global food security crisis.²²⁰¹ These projects include increasing food security and nutrition in Angola, scaling-up agricultural nature-based solutions to improve food security in Sierra Leone and improving climate data systems that ensure food security and sustainable livelihoods for over 1.5 million people in Tanzania.

On 27 June 2024, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Deputy Administrator Isobel Coleman announced USD66.8 million in funding to Zambia in response to current drought conditions in the country.²²⁰² This money will not only provide humanitarian aid to alleviate the ongoing crisis but to also support the country's agricultural base and future drought resilience.

On 1 July 2024, Secretary of State Antony Blinken affirmed US support for food security in Burundi.²²⁰³

On 2 July 2024, the United States alongside the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Executive Board and Malawi inaugurated a USD58 million programme for agricultural development, enhancing agricultural production and increasing food security in this hotspot region.²²⁰⁴

On 5 August 2024, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Xochitl Torres Small announced USD300 million in funding for the Regional Agricultural Promotion Program with USD25 million set specifically for activities in

²²⁰⁰ UK assistance reaches 15,000 people after Myanmar earthquake, with further £10 million pledged, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 4 April 2025. Access Date: 29 April 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-assistance-reaches-15000-people-after-myanmar-earthquake-with-further-10m-pledged>

²²⁰¹ Work Program for Least Developed Country Fund, Global Environmental Facility (Washington D.C.) 19 June 2024. Access Date: 27 September 2024. https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/documents/2024-05/EN_GEF.LDCF_SCCF_C.36.03.Rev_01_Work%20Program_LDCF.pdf

²²⁰² USAID Announces More Than \$66 Million to Support Zambia in Efforts to Combat Drought, Support Resilience, and Strengthen Food Security as a Feed the Future Accelerator Country, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 27 June 2024. Access Date: 25 September 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/jun-27-2024-usaid-announces-more-66-million-support-zambia-efforts-combat-drought-support-resilience-and-strengthen-food-security-feed-future-accelerator-country>

²²⁰³ Burundi National Day, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 1 July 2024. Access Date: 29 September 2024. <https://www.state.gov/burundi-national-day-4/>

²²⁰⁴ New US\$53 million agricultural development programme launched in Malawi to combat food insecurity, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 2 July 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/new-us-53-million-agricultural-development-programme-launched-in-malawi-to-combat-food-insecurity>

Africa.²²⁰⁵ This funding will support American farmers in their access to international markets and contribute to the efforts of promoting global food security.

On 5 September 2024, Secretary Blinken announced almost USD45 million in humanitarian assistance for Haiti amidst political unrest, violence and instability in the country.²²⁰⁶ This funding will support the delivery of in-kind food assistance and cash payments to support food insecure individuals.

On 11 September 2024, the United States announced over USD100 million in humanitarian assistance for South Sudan through the Department of Agriculture Commodity Credit Corporation.²²⁰⁷ This funding will enable emergency food assistance for food insecure individuals in the country.

On 11 September 2024, the USAID announced USD2 million in humanitarian aid for Chad amidst ongoing floods.²²⁰⁸ In part, this funding will enable the World Food Programme (WFP) to provide food assistance to individuals in Chad.

On 19 September 2024, National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan and Administrator and Feed the Future Coordinator Samantha Power announced over USD80 million in funding for the United States' global hunger initiative called Feed the Future.²²⁰⁹ This funding will support fertile land, diverse farming systems and economic growth in Malawi, Tanzania and Zambia to enable food security.

On 23 September 2024, G7 foreign ministers reiterated their support of humanitarian aid to Ukraine, Gaza and Sudan.²²¹⁰ Members also expressed their commitment to cooperation with African states to improve food security and agricultural productivity.

On 24 September 2024, Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack announced USD466.5 million in funding to the McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program and Food for Progress program to strengthen global food security.²²¹¹ Secretary Vilsack allocated USD248 million to the McGovern-Dole Program to support food security in Angola, Bangladesh, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Laos, Malawi and Rwanda and USD218.5 million to Food for Progress to help Benin, Cambodia, Madagascar, Rwanda, Sri Lanka, Tanzania and Tunisia strengthen their agricultural systems, adopt climate-smart technologies, sustainably increase productivity and expand international trade.

²²⁰⁵ USDA Announces Additional RAPP Funding to Expand, Diversify Export Markets, U.S Department of Agriculture (Washington D.C.) 5 August 2024. Access Date: 30 September 2024. <https://fas.usda.gov/newsroom/usda-announces-additional-rapp-funding-expand-diversify-export-markets>

²²⁰⁶ The United States Announces \$45 Million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for Haiti, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 5 September 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/sep-05-2024-united-states-announces-45-million-additional-humanitarian-assistance-haiti>

²²⁰⁷ The United States Announces More Than \$100 Million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for South Sudan, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 11 September 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/sep-11-2024-united-states-announces-more-100-million-additional-humanitarian-assistance-south-sudan>

²²⁰⁸ The United States Provides \$2 Million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for Flood-Affected Populations in Chad, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 11 September 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/sep-11-2024-united-states-provides-2-million-additional-humanitarian-assistance-flood-affected-populations-chad>

²²⁰⁹ Feed the Future Announces \$80 Million to Double Down on Food Security in Malawi, Tanzania, and Zambia, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 19 September 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/sep-19-2024-feed-future-announces-80-million-double-down-food-security-malawi-tanzania-and-zambia>

²²¹⁰ Foreign Ministers' Chair's Statement (New York) 23 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/240923-statement.html>

²²¹¹ USDA Invests \$466.5 Million in Food Assistance, Agricultural Development Projects Worldwide, U.S Department of Agriculture (Washington D.C.) 24 September 2024. Access Date: 30 September 2024. <https://fas.usda.gov/newsroom/usda-invests-4665-million-food-assistance-agricultural-development-projects-worldwide>

On 25 September 2024, the United States announced almost USD424 million in funding for Sudan.²²¹² Of this, USD175 million from the Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation will enable the delivery of "nearly 81,000 metric tons of food commodities from American farmers to support more than 1.2 million people experiencing acute food insecurity in Sudan."

On 26 September 2024, USAID announced approximately USD535 million in humanitarian assistance for Syria.²²¹³ This funding will enable the delivery of food, water, medical care and other aid.

On 30 September 2024, USAID announced USD336 million in humanitarian assistance funding for Gaza and the West Bank.²²¹⁴ This funding will enable food assistance for Palestinians amidst ongoing crisis and food insecurity.

On 17 October 2024, USAID, France, Canada, the United Kingdom, Norway, Sweden, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland and the European Commissioner for Crisis Management released a joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan.²²¹⁵ The joint statement called for immediate, coordinated assistance to address a humanitarian crisis marked by food insecurity and famine. It also highlighted famine conditions in Zamzam camp for displaced people, an elevated famine risk in South Kordofan and a severe food crisis in Darfur.

On 22 October 2024, G7 development ministers adopted a joint statement at the G7 Development Meeting in Italy.²²¹⁶ The Ministers reaffirmed their support for the G7 Apulia Initiative which works towards establishing sustainable, resilient and inclusive food systems and for the Innovation Challenge project which aims to combat malnutrition.

On 24 October 2024, the United States International Development Finance Corporation joined the G7 Public Development Banks and Development Financial Institutions in a Collaborative on Sustainable Food Systems.²²¹⁷ This collaborative aims to strengthen cooperation and private sector participation in enhancing food security within global emerging markets.

On 30 October 2024, Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs Alexis Taylor announced the Food for Opportunity Program which expands opportunities for non-traditional United States commodities to

²²¹² United States Announces Nearly \$424 Million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for the People of Sudan and Others Affected by the Conflict, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 25 September 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/sep-25-2024-united-states-announces-nearly-424-million-additional-humanitarian-assistance-people-sudan-and-others-affected-conflict>

²²¹³ United States Announces Nearly \$535 Million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for the Syria Regional Response, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 26 September 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/sep-26-2024-united-states-announces-nearly-535-million-additional-humanitarian-assistance-syria-regional-response>

²²¹⁴ The United States Announces Nearly \$336 Million in Humanitarian Assistance to Support Palestinians in Gaza and the West Bank, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 30 September 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/sep-30-2024-united-states-announces-nearly-336-million-humanitarian-assistance-support-palestinians-gaza-and-west-bank>

²²¹⁵ Joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan by the UK, USAID, Norway, Sweden, France, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland, Canada and the European Commissioner for Crisis Management, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 17 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/sudan/news/article/joint-donor-statement-on-humanitarian-access-in-sudan-by-the-uk-usaid-norway>

²²¹⁶ Mr Thani Mohamed-Soilihi, Minister of State for Francophonie and International Partnerships, attended the G7 Development Meeting in Pescara, Italy, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/summits-and-global-affairs/france-s-action-in-the-g7/article/mr-thani-mohamed-soilihi-minister-of-state-for-francophonie-and-international>

²²¹⁷ G7 financial institutions team up for sustainable food systems, European Investment Bank (Pescara) 24 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2024-390-g7-financial-institutions-team-up-for-sustainable-food-systems>

qualify for international food assistance programs.²²¹⁸ This project will receive USD50 million to support the purchasing of “U.S.-grown commodities to provide emergency food assistance” internationally.

On 4 November 2024, Secretary Blinken met with Israeli Defense Minister Yoav Gallant, advocating for continued humanitarian aid provision, including food, to the civilian population in Gaza.²²¹⁹ This action testifies to the United States’ commitment to providing food security in the Palestinian Territories, a highest concern hotspot.

On 6 November 2024, the United States alongside the IFAD Executive Board and Sierra Leone signed a USD105 million agreement for the Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project over eight years.²²²⁰ This project supports local farmers while enhancing food security and sustainable development in Sierra Leone, a hotspot region.

On 15 November 2024, Secretary Blinken discussed the opportunities for increasing access to humanitarian aid for people in Gaza with Israeli Foreign Minister Gideon Sa’ar.²²²¹ This action demonstrates the United States’ commitment to provide food security in the Palestinian Territories, a highest concern area.

On 18 November 2024, the G20 officially launched the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty at the G20 Summit in Rio de Janeiro.²²²² The Global Alliance will work to “eradicate hunger and poverty” by 2030 while supporting sustainable development and reducing inequalities, with the United States as one of 148 founding members. Beneficiary members of the Alliance include Mali, Palestine and Haiti which are highest concern areas, Chad and Myanmar which are high concern areas and Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Somalia, Ethiopia, Lebanon and Mozambique which are hotspot areas.

On 21 November 2024, the United States provided USD4 million in funding to the WFP to support 52,000 people in the Democratic Republic of Congo.²²²³ Of this, USD3.5 million will support food security and nutrition for individuals affected by floods.

On 26 November 2024, G7 foreign ministers released a statement condemning the increase in Russian attacks in the Black Sea region which impact global food security.²²²⁴ The ministers also welcomed the “Food for Gaza” initiative, acknowledged the importance of humanitarian aid to address food insecurity in Gaza, encouraged the launch of the G7 Apulia Food Systems Initiative to address food insecurity and fight child malnutrition in Africa, expressed concern about rising food insecurity in Haiti and encouraged increased humanitarian aid to help the Haitian people.

²²¹⁸ USDA Launches Food for Opportunity Program, U.S Department of Agriculture (Washington) 30 October 2024. Access Date: 1 November 2024. <https://fas.usda.gov/newsroom/usda-launches-food-opportunity-program>

²²¹⁹ Secretary Blinken’s Call with Israeli Defense Minister Gallant, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 4 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.state.gov/secretary-blinkens-call-with-israeli-defense-minister-gallant-4/>

²²²⁰ IFAD and Sierra Leone partner to boost farm productivity with Livestock and Livelihoods Development Project, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 6 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/ifad-and-sierra-leone-partner-to-boost-farm-productivity-with-livestock-and-livelihoods-development-project>

²²²¹ Secretary Blinken’s Call with Israeli Foreign Minister Sa’ar, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 15 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.state.gov/secretary-blinkens-call-with-israeli-foreign-minister-saar/>

²²²² World Leaders Launch the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty (Rio de Janeiro) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://globalallianceagainsthungerandpoverty.org/new/world-leaders-launch-the-global-alliance-against-hunger-and-poverty-2/>

²²²³ The United States boosts WFP’s emergency operations in the Republic of Congo, World Food Programme (Brazzaville) 21 November 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.wfp.org/news/united-states-boosts-wfps-emergency-operations-republic-congo>

²²²⁴ G7 Foreign Ministers’ Meeting Statement (Fiuggi-Anagni, Italy) 26 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/241126-statement.html>

On 26 November 2024, Secretary Blinken acknowledged the humanitarian crisis in Sudan and emphasized the collaborative efforts of the WFP to respond to the crisis.²²²⁵ This action demonstrates the United States' commitment to aiding food insecurity in a highest concern region.

On 3 December 2024, President Joe Biden announced over USD1 billion in humanitarian assistance for 31 African countries including Nigeria, Burkina Faso, South Sudan, Chad and Mali.²²²⁶ This funding will help address the food security and nutrition crisis in the region.

On 5 December 2024, the Department of State announced USD41.1 million in funding for the Vision for Adapted Soils and Crops led by the United States and hosted by IFAD.²²²⁷ This funding will support food security and support small farmers in priority areas such as Angola, Mozambique, Tanzania and Zambia by “improving soil fertility, promoting crop diversity and boosting agricultural productivity.”

On 12 December 2024, USAID announced USD29 million in funding to address food insecurity in Somalia.²²²⁸ This funding will support approximately 80,000 vulnerable households in South Central Somalia.

On 13 December 2024, USAID's Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance provided USD118 million to the WFP to provide in-kind food assistance and cash transfers to over one million people in Burundi, Djibouti, Kenya, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda.²²²⁹

On 19 December 2024, Secretary Blinken announced approximately USD200 million in humanitarian assistance, including food aid, for Sudan.²²³⁰

On 6 January 2025, the United States released a joint statement with the European Union, the United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Norway, the Republic of Korea, Switzerland and Timor-Leste expressing concern over Myanmar's ongoing humanitarian crisis which has left over 15 million people facing acute food insecurity.²²³¹

²²²⁵ Secretary Antony J. Blinken At a Press Availability, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 15 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024. <https://www.state.gov/secretary-antony-j-blinken-at-a-press-availability-54/>

²²²⁶ The United States Announces More Than \$1 Billion in Humanitarian Assistance to Address Food Insecurity and Other Needs in Africa, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 3 December 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/dec-03-2024-united-states-announces-more-1-billion-humanitarian-assistance-address-food-insecurity-and-other-needs-africa>

²²²⁷ The US commits to disburse an additional US\$41.1 million to improve soil health and diversify crop production in Africa, International Fund for Agricultural Development (Rome) 5 December 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.ifad.org/en/w/news/the-us-commits-to-disburse-an-additional-us-41.1-million-to-improve-soil-health-and-diversify-crop-production-in-africa>

²²²⁸ USAID Provides Additional \$29 Million to Support Resilience and Food Security in Somalia, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 12 December 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/dec-12-2024-usaid-provides-additional-29-million-support-resilience-and-food-security-somalia>

²²²⁹ United States supports displaced families in Eastern and Central Africa, World Food Programme (Nairobi) 13 December 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.wfp.org/news/united-states-supports-displaced-families-eastern-and-central-africa>

²²³⁰ United States Provides Nearly \$200 Million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for the People of Sudan, United States Agency for International Development (Washington D.C.) 19 December 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/dec-19-2024-united-states-provides-nearly-200-million-additional-humanitarian-assistance-people-sudan>

²²³¹ Myanmar human rights and humanitarian situation: joint statement, January 2025, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 6 January 2025. Access Date: 19 February 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/joint-press-statement-on-the-human-rights-and-humanitarian-situation-in-myanmar>

On 20 January 2025, President Donald Trump signed an executive order that paused all foreign aid including food donations for 90 days pending review of all programs.²²³² This action jeopardizes food security in beneficiary countries awaiting payments and in-kind donations.

On 28 January 2025, Secretary of State Marco Rubio issued a waiver to allow foreign aid disbursements for “lifesaving humanitarian assistance” including food donations.²²³³

On 31 January 2025, the Department of State released a joint statement with Australia, Canada, the European Union, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom calling for de-escalation of violence and full humanitarian access in Myanmar.²²³⁴ In their statement, the allies recognized the acute food crisis in the region.

On 3 February 2025, the United States directed the WFP to stop work on multiple grants worth tens of millions of dollars that benefit food security in Yemen, Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan, South Sudan, Central African Republic, Haiti and Mali.²²³⁵

On 10 February 2025, the United States resumed support for its food donation operations with the WFP.²²³⁶

On 4 April 2025, the United States Department of Agriculture’s Food for Progress Program identified Ethiopia as a priority destination for new cooperative agreements.²²³⁷ The Food for Progress Program aims to provide assistance to developing countries to improve their agricultural sectors through increased productivity and trade.

The United States has partially complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine. The United States has taken strong action in all five areas of highest concern: the Palestinian Territories, South Sudan, Sudan, Haiti and Mali. It has also taken strong action in Syria, Chad and the Democratic Republic of Congo, three areas classified as high concern, and Sierra Leone, Malawi, Ethiopia, Burkina Faso, Zambia and Nigeria, six hotspots. However, the United States has not taken strong action in at least 10 high concern and hotspot areas. The United States paused but then resumed both food aid in general and grants to the WFP.

Thus, the United States receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Alisa Yudina

European Union: +1

The European Union has fully complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine.

²²³² REEVALUATING AND REALIGNING UNITED STATES FOREIGN AID, The White House (Washington D.C.) 20 January 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/01/reevaluating-and-realigning-united-states-foreign-aid/>

²²³³ US issues new waiver for humanitarian aid amid freeze, Reuters (Washington D.C.) 28 January 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/us/us-issues-new-waiver-humanitarian-aid-amid-freeze-2025-01-29/>

²²³⁴ Four Years from the Military Coup in Myanmar: Joint Statement by Australia, Canada, the European Union, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 31 January 2025. Access Date: 22 February 2025. <https://www.state.gov/four-years-from-the-military-coup-in-myanmar-joint-statement-by-australia-canada-the-european-union-the-republic-of-korea-new-zealand-norway-switzerland-the-united-kingdom-and-the-united-state/>

²²³⁵ UN food agency WFP received dozens of US stop work orders despite emergency waiver, Reuters (Washington D.C.) 6 February 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/un-food-agency-wfp-received-dozens-us-stop-work-orders-despite-emergency-waiver-2025-02-07>

²²³⁶ U.S. lifts pause on food donations for World Food Programme, Reuters (Washington D.C.) 10 February 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/us/us-lifts-pause-food-donations-world-food-programme-2025-02-11/>

²²³⁷ USDA Identifies 2025 Food for Progress Priority Countries, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 4 April 2025. Access Date: 8 April 2025. <https://www.fas.usda.gov/newsroom/usda-identifies-2025-food-progress-priority-countries>

On 19 June 2024, Commissioner for Crisis Management Janez Lenarčič visited the Democratic Republic of Congo announcing the EU's plan to provide EUR99 million in humanitarian aid for the country.²²³⁸ This aid will include food provisions to help address the escalating food security crisis in the region.

On 20 June 2024, the European Commission allocated EUR15 million in humanitarian aid to Myanmar including food provisions.²²³⁹ This action will help to reduce food insecurity in a global high concern hotspot.

On 23 July 2024, European Commissioner of International Partnerships Jutta Urpilainen endorsed the Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty and expressed the European Union's intent to join the alliance.²²⁴⁰ In her speech at the G20 Ministerial Task Force meeting, Commissioner Urpilainen expressed concern over food insecurity in Ukraine and Gaza and reiterated the European Union's pledge of EUR20 million to the Amazon Fund, which supports sustainable agroforestry among Indigenous populations and smallholders in Brazil.

On 21 August 2024, the EU allocated EUR122 million in humanitarian aid to the Greater Horn of Africa, funding food and nutrition assistance, along with sanitation and health.²²⁴¹ Of this, EUR42 million will go to Ethiopia, EUR40 million to Somalia and EUR40 million to South Sudan, thus addressing the food security crisis in two hotspots and one highest concern hotspot region.

On 22 August 2024, the EU allocated EUR35 million in humanitarian aid to West Africa, with the funding supporting food assistance, nutrition, health, sanitation and shelter.²²⁴² Of this amount, the EU allocated EUR10 million to Burkina Faso, EUR8 million to Mali, EUR8 million to Niger, EUR8 million to Mauritania, EUR5 million to Nigeria and EUR3 million to countries in the Gulf of Guinea. This funding addresses the food security crisis in one highest concern hotspot and two hotspot regions.

On 6 September 2024, the European Investment Bank signed a EUR30 million loan with the Agricultural Bank of Senegal, supporting the Senegal's food sovereignty, developing sustainable value chains and increasing local production capacity.²²⁴³

On 23 September 2024, G7 foreign ministers reiterated their support of humanitarian aid to Ukraine, Gaza and Sudan.²²⁴⁴ Members also expressed their commitment to cooperation with African states to improve food security and agricultural productivity.

²²³⁸ EU to provide €99 million in humanitarian assistance for Democratic Republic of the Congo, European Commission (Brussels) 19 June 2024. Access Date: 29 September 2024. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_24_3266

²²³⁹ EU releases €15 million in humanitarian aid for people in Myanmar and refugees on the country's borders, European Commission (Brussels) 20 June 2024. Access Date: 29 September 2024. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_24_3361

²²⁴⁰ Speech by Commissioner Urpilainen at the G20 Ministerial Task Force meeting for the establishment of the Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty, European Commission (Rio de Janeiro) 23 July 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_24_4003

²²⁴¹ EU allocates €122 million for humanitarian aid in the Greater Horn of Africa, European Commission (Brussels) 21 August 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_24_4323

²²⁴² EU allocates €35 million in additional humanitarian aid for West Africa, European Commission (Brussels) 22 August 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_24_4322

²²⁴³ Senegal: la Banque Agricole and EIB sign agreement to back food sovereignty with EU support, European Investment Bank (Dakar) 6 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2024-321-la-banque-agricole-et-la-bei-avec-le-soutien-de-l-ue-signent-un-accord-pour-appuyer-la-souverainete-alimentaire-du-senegal>

²²⁴⁴ Foreign Ministers' Chair's Statement (New York) 23 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/240923-statement.html>

On 27 September 2024, President of the European Commission Ursula von der Leyen pledged EUR213 million to fight food insecurity in Africa, Afghanistan, Venezuela and Palestine.²²⁴⁵ The EU also allocated EUR69 million to Sudan in response to the Sudan war.

On 28 September 2024, the European Commission donated EUR10 million in humanitarian aid to Lebanon, funding food assistance to Lebanese and Syrian refugees.²²⁴⁶

On 2 October 2024, the European Commission pledged an additional EUR30 million in humanitarian aid to Lebanon.²²⁴⁷ This aid package provides food assistance, shelter and healthcare to an estimated two million food insecure Lebanese and Syrian refugees.

On 17 October 2024, the European Commissioner for Crisis Management, France, Canada, the United Kingdom, the US Agency for International Development, Norway, Sweden, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland and Switzerland released a joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan.²²⁴⁸ The joint statement called for immediate, coordinated assistance to address a humanitarian crisis marked by food insecurity and famine. It also highlighted famine conditions in Zamzam camp for displaced people, an elevated famine risk in South Kordofan and a severe food crisis in Darfur.

On 17 October 2024, the European Council reiterated the importance of global food security at the European Council meeting.²²⁴⁹ It condemned Russia's attacks on port infrastructure and commercial ships, weaponizing food and disrupting global food security.

On 22 October 2024, G7 development ministers adopted a joint statement at the G7 Development Meeting in Italy.²²⁵⁰ The Ministers reaffirmed their support for the G7 Apulia Initiative which works towards establishing sustainable, resilient and inclusive food systems and for the Innovation Challenge project which aims to combat malnutrition.

On 24 October 2024, the European Investment Bank joined the G7 Public Development Banks and Development Financial Institutions in a Collaborative on Sustainable Food Systems.²²⁵¹ This collaborative aims to strengthen cooperation and private sector participation in enhancing food security within global emerging markets.

²²⁴⁵ European Commission pledges €260 million to Gavi for 2026–2027 and over €200 million in additional humanitarian aid, European Commission (New York) 27 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024.

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_24_4828

²²⁴⁶ EU releases €10 million in humanitarian aid for people in Lebanon affected by the escalation of hostilities, European Commission (Brussels) 28 September 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_24_4941

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²²⁴⁸ Joint donor statement on Humanitarian Access in Sudan by the UK, USAID, Norway, Sweden, France, Germany, Netherlands, Ireland, Switzerland, Canada and the European Commissioner for Crisis Management, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 17 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/sudan/news/article/joint-donor-statement-on-humanitarian-access-in-sudan-by-the-uk-usaid-norway>

²²⁴⁹ European Council conclusions, 17 October 2024, European Council (Brussels). 17 October 2024. Access Date: 26 October 2024. <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2024/10/17/european-council-conclusions-17-october-2024/>

²²⁵⁰ Mr Thani Mohamed-Soilihi, Minister of State for Francophonie and International Partnerships, attended the G7 Development Meeting in Pescara, Italy, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 16 October 2024. Access Date: 30 October 2024. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/summits-and-global-affairs/france-s-action-in-the-g7/article/mr-thani-mohamed-soilihi-minister-of-state-for-francophonie-and-international>

²²⁵¹ G7 financial institutions team up for sustainable food systems, European Investment Bank (Pescara) 24 October 2024. Access Date: 31 October 2024. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2024-390-g7-financial-institutions-team-up-for-sustainable-food-systems>

On 17 November 2024, President von der Leyen reaffirmed the EU's commitment to food security and the fight against hunger during Session I of the G20: Social Inclusion and the Fight against Hunger and Poverty meeting.²²⁵²

On 18 November 2024, the G20 officially launched the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty at the G20 Summit in Rio de Janeiro.²²⁵³ The Global Alliance will work to “eradicate hunger and poverty” by 2030 while supporting sustainable development and reducing inequalities, with France as one of 148 founding members. Beneficiary members of the Alliance include Mali, Palestine and Haiti which are highest concern areas, Chad and Myanmar which are high concern areas and Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Somalia, Ethiopia, Lebanon and Mozambique which are hotspot areas.

On 26 November 2024, G7 foreign ministers released a statement condemning the increase in Russian attacks in the Black Sea region which impact global food security.²²⁵⁴ The ministers also welcomed the “Food for Gaza” initiative, acknowledged the importance of humanitarian aid to address food insecurity in Gaza, encouraged the launch of the G7 Apulia Food Systems Initiative to address food insecurity and fight child malnutrition in Africa, expressed concern about rising food insecurity in Haiti and encouraged increased humanitarian aid to help the Haitian people.

On 12 December 2024, the European Commission launched a new Humanitarian Aid Bridge to deliver humanitarian aid, including food, to Syria.²²⁵⁵ The Commission also announced EUR4 million in additional funding to support the delivery “of food parcels to 61,500 people in northern Syria.”

On 6 January 2025, the European Union released a joint statement with the United Kingdom, the United States, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Norway, the Republic of Korea, Switzerland and Timor-Leste expressing concern over Myanmar's ongoing humanitarian crisis which has left over 15 million people facing acute food insecurity.²²⁵⁶

On 12 January 2025, EU Commissioner of Crisis Management Hadja Lahbib visited Ukraine and reaffirmed the EU's support to the country.²²⁵⁷ The European Commission also allocated EUR140 million in aid to Ukraine, including food provisions. This aid package will target war-impacted regions of eastern and southern Ukraine.

On 15 January 2025, the European Commission announced an initial budget of EUR1.9 billion for 2025 humanitarian aid.²²⁵⁸ Of this, the Commission allocated EUR375 million to the Middle East with a focus on

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²²⁵³ World Leaders Launch the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty (Rio de Janeiro) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 10 December 2024. <https://globalallianceagainsthungerandpoverty.org/new/world-leaders-launch-the-global-alliance-against-hunger-and-poverty-2/>

²²⁵⁴ G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting Statement (Fiuggi-Anagni, Italy) 26 November 2024. Access Date: 29 November 2024.

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²²⁵⁵ EU launches Humanitarian Air Bridge operation for Syria to deliver emergency supplies and boosts humanitarian funding, European Commission (Brussels) 12 December 2024. Access Date: 20 December 2024.

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_24_6425

²²⁵⁶ Myanmar human rights and humanitarian situation: joint statement, January 2025, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 6 January 2025. Access Date: 19 February 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/joint-press-statement-on-the-human-rights-and-humanitarian-situation-in-myanmar>

²²⁵⁷ New €148 million EU humanitarian aid package for Ukraine, European Commission (Brussels) 12 January 2025. Access Date: 16 February 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_244

²²⁵⁸ EU will provide €1.9 billion in initial humanitarian aid for 2025, European Commission (Brussels) 15 January 2025. Access Date: 16 February 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_265

Gaza and Syria, EUR95 million to North Africa and Yemen, EUR510 million to Africa broadly and EUR182 million for Asia and the Pacific with a focus on Myanmar.

On 15 January 2025, the European Commission announced EUR120 million in aid for Gaza.²²⁵⁹ This package includes food provisions and healthcare assistance to address malnutrition and food insecurity in this highest concern region.

On 16 January 2025, Commissioner Lahbib announced EUR235 million in funding providing critical support, including food provisions for an estimated 16.7 million displaced persons in Syria.²²⁶⁰

On 16 January 2025, the EU provided EUR2 million in funding to the WFP to support food provision and other aid for refugees in Iran.²²⁶¹

On 20 January 2025, the EU contributed EUR16.5 million to the WFP to extend its food assistance and nutrition programmes in Afghanistan.²²⁶²

On 27 January 2025, the European Commission donated EUR60 million in humanitarian aid to the Democratic Republic of Congo, including food and water provisions.²²⁶³

On 31 January 2025, the European Union released a joint statement with Australia, Canada, the United States, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom calling for de-escalation of violence and full humanitarian access in Myanmar.²²⁶⁴ In their statement, the allies recognized the acute food crisis in the region.

On 10 February 2025, the Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations contributed EUR4 million to strengthen early warning systems for climate extremes in the Horn of Africa.²²⁶⁵ This action aims to mitigate risks of food insecurity.

On 3 March 2025, the European Commission allocated EUR76 million in humanitarian aid to support Rohingya refugees across South and Southeast Asia.²²⁶⁶ This fund includes provisions for food assistance and emergency nutrition to alleviate food insecurity in the region.

²²⁵⁹ EU announces new €120 million humanitarian aid package for Gaza, European Commission (Brussels) 15 January 2025. Access Date: 16 February 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_271

²²⁶⁰ EU provides €235 million humanitarian aid to Syrians, European Commission (Brussels) 16 January 2025. Access Date: 16 February 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_282

²²⁶¹ The European Union Supports the Most Vulnerable Refugees in Iran Through Additional Funding to WFP, World Food Programme (Tehran) 16 January 2025. Access Date: 17 February 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/european-union-supports-most-vulnerable-refugees-iran-through-additional-funding-wfp>

²²⁶² European Union Contributes €16.5 Million to WFP in Afghanistan to Help Vulnerable Communities Survive Winter, World Food Programme (Kabul) 20 January 2025. Access Date: 18 February 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/european-union-contributes-eu165-million-wfp-afghanistan-help-vulnerable-communities-survive>

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²²⁶⁴ Four Years from the Military Coup in Myanmar: Joint Statement by Australia, Canada, the European Union, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 31 January 2025. Access Date: 22 February 2025. <https://www.state.gov/four-years-from-the-military-coup-in-myanmar-joint-statement-by-australia-canada-the-european-union-the-republic-of-korea-new-zealand-norway-switzerland-the-united-kingdom-and-the-united-state/>

²²⁶⁵ EU supports early action as climate extremes compound hunger in the Greater Horn of Africa, World Food Programme (Nairobi) 10 February 2025. Access Date: 7 April 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/eu-supports-early-action-climate-extremes-compound-hunger-greater-horn-africa>

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On 13 March 2025, the European Commission provided EUR4 million in humanitarian aid to Mauritania.²²⁶⁷ This aid package includes food assistance to combat resource scarcity, given the influx of refugees and returnees.

On 14 March 2025, the European Investment Bank provided a EUR15 million grant to support Cambodian Agriculture Services Programme for an Inclusive Rural Economy and Agricultural Trade.²²⁶⁸ This grant supports Cambodia's agricultural sector whilst promoting sustainable growth, food security and climate resilience.

On 28 March 2025, the European Union allocated EUR6.5 billion in funding to address malnutrition, with EUR3.4 billion being provided by the European Commission.²²⁶⁹ This announcement was made at the Nutrition for Growth Summit in Paris.

On 7 April 2025, the EU committed EUR41 million in humanitarian aid to people in Southern Africa in the Indian Ocean.²²⁷⁰ This fund includes food and nutrition assistance to combat malnutrition in areas affected by natural hazards and armed conflict.

On 10 April 2025, the European Commission announced EUR74.5 million in humanitarian aid for Chad, EUR160 million for Sudan, and EUR48 million to support “refugees, returnees, and host communities” in South Sudan, Ethiopia, Egypt and Libya.²²⁷¹ All packages include food and nutrition provisions.

The European Union has fully complied with its commitment to remain steadfast in addressing the escalating global food security and nutrition crisis, aggravated by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine. It has taken strong action in four areas of “highest concern”: South Sudan, Sudan, Mali and the Palestinian Territories. It has taken strong action in four areas of “high concern”: the Democratic Republic of Congo, Syria, Chad and Myanmar. It has also taken strong action in seven “hotspots”: Ethiopia, Somalia, Burkina Faso, Nigeria, Lebanon, Niger and Mozambique. As such, it has taken strong action in at least three of the five highest concern areas and at least 10 of the 20 areas of very high concern and hotspots.

Thus, the European Union receives a score of +1.

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