Group 17- Food Sovereignty

Summary

Food Sovereignty can be described as an international movement, particularly in developing countries, focused on giving the control of what people eat to the food producers and those who consume the food, not just the organizations that control the economy. This movement is backed by the World Trade Organization, who has in the past focused exclusively on facilitating economic growth and paid no attention to the culture of the indigenous people, nor on the physical needs of those people. Food sovereignty aims to bring focus to the needs of those who produce and consume foods, and thus away from the demands of global markets and their economies. Both the World Trade Organization and ordinary peasants are working towards food sovereignty in this global movement.

Our focus will be on both the World Trade Organization and the ordinary peasants of the world, and how they are fighting to bring food sovereignty to the world.

Figure 1: The Nyleini Forum forms alliances with organizations such as La Via Campesino to increase the visibility of the food sovereignty movement. (2008; http://www.foei.org)

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