The Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See to the United Nations has issued a statement on "Food security and nutrition, sustainable agriculture, desertification, land degradation and drought" at the Third session of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals, May 23, 2013. The Holy See in its statement notes that "lack of access to adequate food and nutrition is a moral and humanitarian crisis exacerbated by man-made policies and practices such as market distortions through excessive financial speculation on food commodities, armed conflict, diverting food resources from consumption to energy production, waste of food resources and failure to provide access to markets for producers in developing countries." The Apostolic Nuncio and Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations is the Most Reverend Francis Chullikatt.

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