The Genetic Modification Debate

Background:

You and your group members are the top scientists and nutritionists from around the world. You are the task force assigned by the *Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations* to make a global decision that will affect billions of people directly.

Simply, you have to decide which course our planet is going to take in regard to GM food production.

**Do we embrace GMO technology as a way to feed a starving planet?**

**OR**

**GM’s will only create catastrophic damage to not only agriculture, but humans and our already fragile natural systems.**

Task:

Each group will be responsible for creating their own argument. Arguments will be researched from credible sources and backed with citations. Use leads or exits in your statements

An example for the use of GM food

Statistic

*According to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, undernourishment is down from 1 Billion people in 1992 to 805 million people today – a difference fall of 21%” (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, 2014)*

Inference

*This statistic clearly illustrates that GM is part of the solution to solving world hunger as widespread GM use began in the mid-1990’s and undernourishment has decreased 21% since then. This statistic supports that claim.*

Each debate member will be responsible for researching (five) 5 points that will help prove their point during the debate. Use credible sources and the most up-to-date the statistics. You will then state how your proof supports your point. You are expected to make inferences based on your proof.

Good luck!