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## New hunger crisis threatens African kids

By Braden Ruddy

The United Nations warned on Tuesday that hundreds of thousands of people living in the impoverished Sahel region of West Africa could face another hunger crisis this year if action is not taken immediately. The UN is seeking \$92 million to fend off starvation that could effect some five million people in Niger, Burkina Faso, Mali, and Mauritania. "This year, malnutrition will be the cause of death for more than 300,000 children in the Sahel if the necessary measures are not taken in time We know what must be done, but we need the resources to do so immediately," said Theophane Nikyema, the deputy director of the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) regional office.

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The funds would primarily be used to feed people coping with severe food shortages. In addition, the money would help local food

banks, nutritional centers, and also provide long-term solutions to deal with hunger:

"We must have long-term solutions," said Christine Van Nieuwenhuyse, the deputy director of the World Food Program's regional office. "Children who are malnourished carry the consequence for years and malnutrition feeds poverty, which in turn feeds malnutrition."

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Last year Niger faced a massive food crisis as a result of poor harvests that led to skyrocketing food prices. This was compounded by a deadly locust invasion.

This year many families are still paying off debt from last years crisis, and are preparing for a trying lean season that runs from April to October.

Currently one in three people in Niger do not have enough to eat and failure by the international community to react could cause that figure to double.

### Commission to study bloody 1898 Wilmington riots, reparations

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Institute for African
American Research will
examine the 1898
Wilmington Race Riots and
reparations at the
International Scholars
Conference today through
Saturday.
The mission of the IAAR,
also known as the Center for
the Study of Black Life, is to
promote scholarly investigation of the history and culture
of people throughout the
African Diaspora. The conference is the eighth organized
by the IAAR. The Center for
the Study of the American
South is also a sponsor
Keynote speakers will
include Roy Nobles from the
University of San Diego Law
School and Melissa Nobles
from the Massachusetts
Institute of Technology
Dr. William "Sandy" Darity,

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director of the IAAR, said the conference, titled "Reparations Across the Americas," will raise the question of what should be the compensation not only for slavery, but also for segregation and hate crimes.

The Wilmington Race Riot Commission and LeRae Umfleet, lead historian, will open the first day with a discussion of their findings. The North Carolina Office of Archives and History released the report last December.

In 1898, Wilmington, in eastern North Carolina where the Cape Fear enters into the Atlantic Ocean, was a prosperous port town with many black homeowners involved in education, business and politics According to historical records, a coalition of white populists and black Republicans defeated Democrats in the 1896 elec-

tions, and were poised to maintain control in the 1898 tions, and were poised to maintain control in the 1898 election season. The Democratic Party, which wanted to regain control and resented the black political power, initiated an inflammatory campaign which perpetuated stereotypes of black men being a threat to white women.

A white newspaper published an inflammatory speech by Rebecca Felton, a Georgia feminist, that said: "If it requires lynching to protect woman's dearest possession from ravening, drunken human beasts, then I say lynch a thousand Negroes a week if it is necessary."

A black newspaper editor, Alex Manly, refuted the claims, saying the "lynchings for rapes" were only a guise to mask the discovery of consensual sexual interracial relations.

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