

MASTER'S EXAMINER REPORT

GPS – Geopolitical Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University

Thesis title:	Geopolitics of Global Food Supply - An analysis of Nigeria, China, and the United States
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Comments of the referee on the thesis highlights and shortcomings (following the four numbered aspects of your assessment indicated below).

1) Contribution and argument:

The thesis is covering an extremely important topic of providing food security to societies. Three cases based on different income level are selected and well picked. The paper, nonetheless, misses a clear comparative and analytical chapter that would provide larger depth to otherwise well-developed case studies. The conclusions are clear, confirming the dependence of food security on the level of economic development, but are not supported by a clear comparative analysis that would connect the three case studies. The thesis, however, still provides important insights.

2) Theoretical and methodological framework:

Explicit theoretical framework is generally lacking. Methodology is based in a development of factors affecting food supply that are used for, sadly only, implicit comparative study that is placed in conclusion. The method is selected well but not thoroughly followed through. Thesis also lacks a formal research question and tests four hypotheses rooted only in the general theme.

2) Sources and literature:

The thesis contains a large number of primary sources - websites – but might have been more rooted in more significant number of academic sources as well.

4) Manuscript form and structure:

Manuscript is well developed.

5) Quality of presentation

There is a larger number of typos. Otherwise, the language used is good.

CATEGORY	POINTS
<i>Contribution (research quality, analysis, and conclusions) (max. 40 points)</i>	30
<i>Theoretical and methodological framework (max. 25 points)</i>	15
<i>Sources and literature (max. 10 points)</i>	7
<i>Manuscript form and structure (max. 15 points)</i>	15
<i>Quality of presentation (grammar, style, coherence) (max. 10 points)</i>	8
TOTAL POINTS	75
The proposed grade (A-B-C-D-E-F)	C

Suggested questions for the defence are:

I (do not) recommend the thesis for final defence.

Referee Signature

Overall grading scheme at FSV UK:

TOTAL POINTS	GRADE	Quality standard
91 – 100	A	= outstanding (high honor)

81 – 90	B	= superior (honor)
71 – 80	C	= good
61 – 70	D	= satisfactory
51 – 60	E	= low pass at a margin of failure
0 – 50	F	= failing. The thesis is not recommended for defence.