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Nowadays cybersecurity is more important than ever before especially because we are all in lockdown and we are on technology all the time. Cybersecurity is basically when the government or NGOs secure and regulate the internet. Cybersecurity is important because without it the web can become a dangerous and inappropriate place.

In my opinion, cybersecurity is not a great concern in Comoros. According to the CIA World Fact Book in 2016, only 7.9%(63,084 people out of 795,592) of the population had internet(I am aware there is more up to date info but not from any reliable sources I could find). But this should be good enough for the purpose of this paper. So unless a lot more people in Comoros get on the internet I don't really think it is a problem. I assume that most of the targets for cybercrime in Comoros are not on the internet such as water treatment plants and the like. Also, their economy is mostly based on agriculture and fishing which don't need the internet to work so again I don't think it is a big deal in Comoros. Also, I don't think they are a large target for attacks of any kind because of their sheer population and relevance on the globe.

The UN has looked into this issue before. From 2004-2008 the USA was the sole vote against it. In 2016 Ukraine abstained. In 2017 they were unable to reach a consensus. In 2018 there was still no consensus with two major resolutions. One of which was Russia's. Russia's resolution was focused on an open-ended working group (OWEG) to change previous agreements on standards of behavior and bring up the conversation regularly in the UN. The Second Resolution emphasizes Human rights and Freedoms. It also wants to communicate information freely to member states to prevent cybercrimes. Both leave the member states in primary control and have everyone in society share the responsibility.

My first proposal is for there to be an international fund where each year every country has to donate a small percentage of their GDP to pay for security researchers to find security flaws and fix the flaws.

My second proposal is to create a collision of knowledge to teach people to be cyber-smart. Companies such as retailers and ISPs would donate money to create online courses about cybersecurity for private citizens. When you as a citizen would watch a video, take a quiz, or read an article you would get points. With these points,

you could enter to be in a giveaway of \$1000 to give to a developing nation of your choice to give them food and services they would otherwise be unable to acquire themselves.

In conclusion, cybersecurity is as important as ever, especially because of the pandemic. And I think we as humans need to work together to secure the internet.

Bibliography:

- [CIA World Factbook](#)
- Background Guide
- [Wikipedia](#)