

2. THERE IS NO SATISFACTORY METHOD OF HANDLING NUCLEAR WASTE. THE CONSTRUCTION OF FUTURE NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS, AS WELL AS THE USE OF THE PRESENT ONES, SHOULD BE STOPPED.

The handling of nuclear waste is known all over the world as a thorny problem, and so we should cease using nuclear power which produces such ecologically harmful and life threatening waste. At present, the Government ignores the objections of the Yami people on Lan Yu (Orchid Island) and, contrary to humanitarian principles, continues to place nuclear waste in the residential area of this minority people.

3. REVIEW AGAIN TAIWAN'S ENERGY POLICY; CREATE A SAFE, CLEAN ALTERNATIVE SOURCE OF ENERGY.

The cost of nuclear generated electricity is very expensive. From the building of the plant, operation, handling of nuclear waste, through the period needed for radiation decline after plant closure, the abandoning of the land sight, and right down to the continuing needs of a quality environment - all of these stages are very costly indeed. Therefore, the Government has a responsibility to make an all-out effort to develop solar power, natural gas and other kinds of electric generators as safe alternatives to nuclear power.

4. CHANGE THE LIFE STYLE OF ALL OUR CITIZENS, AND PROMOTE ECONOMIZING OF ENERGY RESOURCES.

The people of Taiwan, misled by a government policy which places economic benefit before all else, frantically chase after a life style of high consumption, with the result that natural resources are consumed at a rapid rate. The Government should use the channels of education and mass media to increase environmental awareness, and also help people change their life style, give up the trend of high material consumption, and so raise the quality of life.

Humankind and the whole ecological system are mutually interdependent and co-existent. Therefore, we strongly oppose this policy of nuclear development which so seriously damages Taiwan's ecology and environment. We solemnly appeal to all Christians and all members of society, to honestly face the potential tragedy which any nuclear power station could bring upon us; we urge