

TOWARDS IMPLEMENTATION

In practice, adopting a consistent approach to considering environmental concerns in day to day activities does not just happen simply because of a well articulated policy or action plan. It is necessary that the people responsible for implementing environmental safeguards develop a sense of awareness and commitment to basic aspects of environmental stewardship.

For this reason, as part of the process of developing the Environmental Policy and Action Plan for FARA, it is proposed that the concept of 'Greening the FARA Secretariat' be introduced. This consists of a pledge and number of key messages which will be prominently displayed within the establishment to sensitise everybody. Below are a number of proposals for consideration:

GREENING THE FARA SECRETARIAT

AS THE FIRST STEP IN ADOPTING AND IMPLEMENTING FARA'S ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND ACTION PLAN, STAFF OF FARA SECRETARIAT MAKE THIS COMMITMENT.....

OUR PLEDGE

AT THE FARA SECRETARIAT, WE PLEDGE OUR COMMITMENT TO MAINTAINING A HIGH STANDARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP IN ALL OUR DAY TO DAY ACTIVITIES SO AS TO ENSURE THAT WE CREATE A CLEAN AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT FOR OURSELVES AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

ACCORDINGLY WE PLEDGE TO:

GREEN OUR WORKING ENVIRONMENT

REDUCE, RE-USE, AND RECYCLE ALL CONSUMABLES

EMBRACE PROGRESSIVE IDEAS ON ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

EMPower OUR STAKEHOLDERS TO DO THE SAME, AND

NETWORK EFFECTIVELY TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

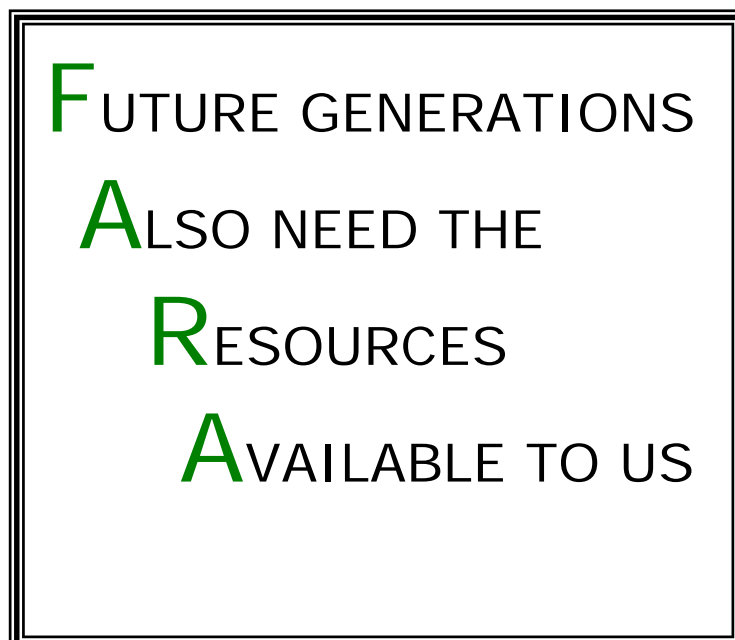
AMONG THE GREENING IDEAS TO BE CONSIDERED ARE:

- **ENERGY CONSERVATION:** SWITCHING OFF LIGHTS, USE ENERGY SAVING BULBS, DRIVING LESS,
- **MATERIAL CONSUMPTION:** REDUCING USE OF PAPER, RE-USING PAPER, USING RECYCLED PAPER,
- **WATER CONSERVATION:** CHECK DRIPPING TAPS AT ALL POINTS, ADOPT RAINM WATER HARVESTING FROM OFFICE ROOFS FOR NON-DRINKING USES (CAR WASH, WATERING GARDENS ETC)
- **PROCUREMENT:** PROMOTE PREFERENCE FOR RECYCLED MATERIALS, AVOID NON-DEGRADABLE MATERIALS

BASED ON THE ABOVE COMMITMENT, THE ACRONYM “FARA” MAY BE EXPRESSED IN A NUMBER OF SHORT MESSAGES THAT COULD BE DEVELOPED INTO POSTERS AND PLACED AT KEY POINTS IN THE WORKPLACE

EXAMPLES OF SUCH STATEMENTS ARE:

I. GENERAL STATEMENT



SOME OTHER SUGGESTED VARIANTS OF THIS ACRONYM ARE:

2. BASED ON FARA'S WORK

FURTHERING INNOVATION
ADVOCATING COLLABORATION
RESOURCING STAKEHOLDERS
ADVANCING SUSTAINABILITY

3. SOMETHING RELEVANT TO MDG 7

FACILITATING RESEARCH
ACTING RESPONSIBLY
REVERSING DEGRADATION
ACHIEVING SUSTAINABILITY

SOME KEY MESSAGES TO HIGHLIGHT INCLUDE (with appropriate graphics or pictures if required):

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU DUMP AND WHERE YOU DUMP IT!!!
THE FOOD CHAIN IS NOT INSULATED

COMPLIANCE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL
PLAY YOUR PART WITH DILIGENCE

WHEN THE LAST TREE DIES THE LAST MAN DIES
PLANT A TREE TO SUSTAIN LIFE

WHAT YOU DO TODAY AFFECTS TOMORROW
ACT RESPONSIBLY NOW

ACT NOW
FOR A BETTER TOMORROW