Earth-Loving Associate

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5 Morals of Earth-Loving Way

My Dear ELA!

I want to send you again the former words:

Harmony Respect Love Goodness Beauty 和 [wa] 敬 [kei] 愛 [ai] 善 [zen] 美 [bi]

You know, there are already more than 750 ELAs (Earth-Loving Associates) around the world, most of them stayed in my accommodations. I suppose that almost all of you will support world wide ELFO (Earth-Loving Friendly Organization), where 22 Councils will be established.

One of the Councils is Religion and Morals Council, And one of its functions are

to research doctrines and heart of things abstracted from religions, morals, and other norms, and to encourage such a codification as they would be in conformity with the Earth society, presenting, at the same time, 'Earth-Loving Way(地球愛道)' which is simple, familiar, and understandable for everybody. (Charter, Article 40)

Earth Loving Way 地球愛道 (chikyuh'aido)

In advance I will present my idea about the Earth-Loving Way (ELW) as follows:

- 1. The ELW is not a religion, but it concerns rather ethics, morals, a way of life of general character.
- 2. The ELW is of relative, not of absolute character, it may have colorful aspects in accordance with multilateral way of life.

In Japan there are several kinds of 道(do)

You know judo [柔道], kendo [剣道、Japanese fencing] as a kind of sports. On the other hand, there are tea ceremony [茶道、sado]、flower arrangement [華道、kado] which especially ladies are fond of as an elegant manner. In feudal period was bushido [武士道、samurai's code of behavior, which is analogous with knighthood].

These 道 (do) are not a religion, but deeply relate to a good and beautiful manner of spiritual and physical culture. To you and future Religion and Morals Council I would like to propose an idea to create chikyuh'aido 〔地球愛道〕 as one of such categories, principal morals of which are as follows:

Harmony Respect Love Goodness Beauty 和 [wa] 敬 [kei] 愛 [ai] 善 [zen] 美 [bi]

**I [wa] in Japanese means, among others, harmony, good friendship and peace, not of compulsory character. 'Harmony is to be valued.' is a famous Article of ancient Japanese Constitution of 17 Articles dated 604 AD.

敬 [kei] means, respect and esteem of personality of other people, including organization, even States. If people, organizations and States respected each personality, there would not be any serious problem. 和 [wa] and 敬 [kei] are 2 essentials in tea ceremony [茶道、sado] which were founded in 16th century.

★ [ai] means love which is the most central conception of the Earth-Loving Way, which is given not only to people, but also to human being and even other living things and nature. A draft Charter of Earth-Loving Friendly Organization stipulates:

Earth-Loving' means not only to love all humanity, to respect all lives as far as possible, and to be Earth-friendly, but also to maintain cosmos beautifully.

善 [zen, goodness] and 美 [bi, beauty] are 2 of the ethical essentials among Truth, Goodness and Beauty which were highly esteemed in ancient Greek period. I suppose many readers will agree to add these 2 ethical essentials to the 5 morals of Earth-Loving Way.

A poster of Earth- Loving Way

I am sending you its poster in an attachment to the present email. I am glad if you paste it in your room.