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Black-Necked Crane Association

Established: December 1998

Where: Zhao Tong, Yunnan Province, China

Founder: Mr. Sun Dehui

Current Membership/Staff: 208 (Nationwide)

Funding: Membership fee (30 RMB/person, 15 RMB/student, exempt for farmers)

Major Activities to Date

- Feed and protect black-necked cranes over the past winters;
- Deliver telescopes and necessary medicine to local farmers to enable them to find and treat injured black-necked cranes;
- Publish *Black-Necked Crane* newsletter periodically; and,
- Facilitate scientific research, recording the number of black-necked cranes and their habits during the winter season.

Projects and Activities Under Development

- Collect funding to purchase corn and potatoes for feeding black-necked cranes;
- Conduct research on habitats of black-necked cranes in Yunnan, Guizhou, and Sichuan Provinces;

- Find alternative fuel for local farmers so they will not overuse the grass from local wetlands and destroy the ecosystem in the Zhao Tong area;
- Collect funding to support medical facilities for injured cranes;
- Build a crane protection office in Zhao Tong; and,
- Make videotapes for educating local farmers about the cranes.

Mr. Sun Dehui, a true naturalist, started photographing the black-necked crane, the most precious crane on the earth, eight years ago. He has traveled to all the habitats of the black-necked crane in Yunnan and neighboring provinces, published over 10 papers, and taken more than 9,000 pictures of this graceful endangered crane. After he founded this organization, he has put in all his personal savings to support and educate local farmers to realize his dream of recreating a safe and peaceful winter “home” for around 4,000 black-necked cranes in Zhao Tong.

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Friends of Green

Established: November 2000

Where: Tianjin, China, registered as *Tianjin Environmental Science Association Green Education Committee* under Tianjin Municipal Government, Ministry of Civil Affairs

Founder: Professor Zhu Huan, President, College of Environmental Engineering, Nan Kai University

Current Membership/Staff: Over 100 individual members and 10 institutional members (Predominantly in Tianjin)

Funding: N/A

Projects and Activities Under Development

- Organize environmental education among citizens;
- Conduct periodic surveys of public opinion on particular environmental problems and generate policy recommendations based on survey findings; and,
- Promote transnational cooperation among NGOs.

Friends of Green is the first nongovernmental environmental organization in Tianjin, which is one of the

four cities in China directly under the administration of the central government. Ms. Sun Yanjun, a full-time radio reporter at Tianjin People's Radio, is the General Secretary of *Friends of Green*. Ms. Sun commented at the forum that *Global Village of Beijing* has given *Friends of Green* important support and advice. Recently, at the radio station Ms. Sun

created a daily half-hour program, "Green Global Village," in which she attempts to use the program to help victims of pollution.

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Friends of the Earth, Guizhou

Established: 1997

Where: Guiyang, Guizhou Province, China, registered as *Friends of the Earth Guizhou Environmental-Ecological Education Base* under Guizhou Provincial Government, Ministry of Education

Founder: Professor Yang Jiongli and Mr. Xiao Jinyuan

Current Membership/Staff: Over 6000 (Predominantly in Guizhou Province)

Funding: Internal funds

Major Activities to Date

- Ran a series of lectures on environmental issues in schools and colleges;
- Published Environmental education textbooks;
- Established Cao Hai Ecological Education Base; and,
- Held Student camps in nature reserves

Projects and Activities Under Development

- Running Student bird watching activities;
- Cooperating with business corporations and government agencies on the management and maintenance of Cao Hai Ecological Education Base; and,
- Enlarging the group of volunteer lecturers and developing networks among governmental officials, school-teachers, parents, and students.

As an environmental scientist and bird expert, Professor Yang Jiongli spent his entire career working in the Guizhou Provincial Government's Environmental Protection Bureau and research institutes. In 1995, Professor Yang was invited by Dr. Ng Cho Nam (Hong Kong University and key member of the green NGO *Conservancy Association*) to participate in the *Southeast Asian Environmental Education Conference*. At the conference Professor Yang was literally shocked to learn

about the proliferation and effectiveness of green NGOs in Southeast Asian countries. He thus was inspired to embark on a new kind of work to undertake practical grassroots environmental work in China. Two years later when Professor Yang retired at the age of 55, he put all his savings into establishing *Friends of the Earth, Guizhou*. To date, this NGO still depends on research funding raised by professor Yang and his colleagues. Despite the limited funds, with the support and voluntary contributions from teachers, researchers, and parents, *Friends of the Earth, Guizhou* has been able to continue to give environmental education lectures in schools and colleges. In order to create more sustainable funding, beginning in 2001, Professor Yang and his colleagues adopted a new approach. Specifically, the organization established and became one of the shareholders of the Cao Hai Ecological Education Base, which is supposed to hold environmental education activities and camps in the future. In this way, they can subsidize their NGO from the funds raised by the Education Base. Hopefully, this new public-private-NGO partnership can help the organization become financially self-sufficient, as well as maintain this important environmental education center. *Friends of the Earth, Guizhou* also has worked together with the Hong Kong *Conservancy Association* in bird-watching activities in the past few years.

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Environmental Volunteer Association of Sichuan University

Established: 1995

Where: Sichuan University, Sichuan, China

Founder: Lu Hongyan

Membership/Staff: Several hundred student members

Funding: Donations from Chinese companies, universities, and local environmental protection bureaus, as well as project grants from international environmental NGOs

Major Activities to Date

- Set up environmental education activities in and around Sichuan University, including talks, debates, exhibitions, film festivals, tree planting, community surveys, field research, and events in primary schools.
- Reform and improvement of environmental curriculum in Sichuan University. Current environmental courses offered include: (1) Environment and Sustainable Development (required for all undergraduates); (2) Environmental Course for MBA students; and (3) Teacher Training Program (required for environment education graduate students).
- Create the first Environmental Education Center at

a Chinese university. This center that the *Environmental Volunteer Association* is currently setting up will aim to: (1) coordinate and systemize all of the programs mentioned above; (2) facilitate the development of student environmental groups in China (the Web site www.greensos.org is under design to connect student environment groups nationwide); (3) develop teaching/learning methods applying information technology tools; (4) strengthen the partnerships between schools, government departments, concerned organizations (nationally and internationally), and various community efforts; and (5) look for international partners to promote cross-border communication, research, and projects to involve young people in environmental protection.

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Green Plateau

Established: March 2000

Where: Work activities done in Diqing Prefecture, Zhongdian Village in Yunnan Province, registered under Beijing Western District Industrial Bureau

Founders: Ms. Shi Lihong and Mr. Xi Zhinong

Current Membership/Staff: Three regular staff members (not a membership-based organization)

Funding: Grants from environmental foundations and individual donations

Major Activities to Date

Zhenxi district in northwest Yunnan where *Green Plateau* operates is an area rich in biodiversity. Through environmental education and other projects *Green Plateau* aims to increase people's environmental awareness and promote sustainable development.

- Environmental Education: (a) Diqing Prefecture environmental education teacher training; (b) Diqing Prefecture elementary school "Love and Protect Diqing's Environment" essay and picture contest; and,
- Nature conservation and social development: (a) Naren Village villager mountain patrol project; (b) Naren Vil-

lage redesign of traditional housing project; (c) Naren Village women's weaving project.

Xi Zhinong and Shi Lihong, who are innovators in the environmental NGO sphere in China, run *Green Plateau*. Xi Zhinong is a photographer whose photos of Yunnan Province's endangered golden snub-nosed monkey in 1996 sparked government action to protect the monkey's habitat. Shi Lihong has considerable experience in environmental NGO work in China with *Friends of Nature*, the *Tibetan Antelope Information Center*, and *WWF-China*. Today, while *Green Plateau* is an organization only in its infancy, its work as one of the few Chinese green NGOs undertaking grassroots work in a remote rural region has drawn the attention of environmental NGOs and foundations in China and internationally. Similar to other new Chinese NGO activists, Shi Lihong and Xi Zhinong have recognized the need to professionalize the management of their group in order to create a sustainable organization. Therefore, Shi Lihong has traveled to other countries to take courses on NGO management.

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Tibetan Antelope Information Center

Established: 1998

Where: Beijing, China; not formally registered as an NGO, rather consists of a network of volunteers disseminating information on wild animal protection

Founders: Ms. Shi Lihong and Mr. Hu Jia. Shi Lihong used to work with *WWF-China* news office. Today she runs two organizations: the *Beijing Volunteer Rural Ecological Development Research Center* and *Green Plateau*. In 1998, Hu Jia began the management of the *Friends of Nature* Web site. Today he also manages the *Tibetan Antelope Information Center* (TAIC)

Current Membership/Staff: Seven core organizing volunteers

Funding: *Worldwide Fund for Nature—China*, *International Fund for Animal Welfare* (China office), and *Friends of Nature* provide considerable information and pictures to TAIC. In 2001, TAIC received a US\$1000 grant from the U.S.-based foundation *Global Green Grants*

Major Activities to Date

- By gathering and disseminating current news, updates on Chinese animal protection laws, scholarly research, and international trends on the Tibetan antelope and other endangered species, TAIC has become the authoritative information clearinghouse on Tibetan antelope in China.
- The TAIC network has promoted greater news media coverage and public discussion of the endangered Tibetan antelope, which in turn has sparked private sector and government organizations to devote more funding and personnel to the protection and support of the antelope.
- In addition to disseminating information, TAIC brings together individuals from academic, NGO, and government spheres to work together in their endangered species protection work.

Illegal wild animal poaching began to grow considerably in the 1980s, particularly in sparsely populated

areas on the Tibetan Plateau and Western Sichuan. There are upwards of 100,000 individuals involved in these highly profitable poaching activities. However, not all poaching has been motivated by profit. For example, in some areas of Western China food shortages led poachers to massacre wild animals in order to feed their families. As the number of poachers has grown and local government monitoring of wild animal habitats has remained lax, poachers have carried out massive slaughters of Tibetan antelopes throughout the year. It was not until 1995 that the local governments and citizens responded by setting up wild animal patrols to halt the cruel slaughter of antelopes. The hardships endured by these wild animal patrols have been great. The murders of some of patrollers by poachers sparked anger among the environmentalists in Beijing and throughout China and ultimately led to the creation of TAIC. Today, TAIC is at the frontline of the battle against illegal poaching in China. TAIC issues timely reports on illegal poaching in Kekexila and posts current animal protection laws in China and information on international animal protection organizations on the Internet. TAIC is an all-volunteer network made up of a core of committed individuals (Xu Jian, Wu Yong, Yang Yang, Huang Jingwen, Run Baohua, Ma Zhao) who assist Hu Jia. All of these and previous volunteers have full-time jobs or go to school, which has resulted in a high volunteer turnover rate at TAIC. Similar to volunteer organizations the world over, TAIC needs to develop a more stable staffing system in order to become a more sustainable organization.

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GreenRiver

Established: Began work end of 1994; obtained formal registration 1999

Where: Registered with the Sichuan Provincial Cultural Affairs Bureau under the name *Sichuan Provincial GreenRiver Environmental Protection Association*. In 1994, *GreenRiver* began to set up ecological monitoring stations at the source of the Yangtze and in the Tongtian River Basin. In May 1996, *GreenRiver* initiated construction of another monitoring station at Suonandajie (in the North river basin of the Yangtze headwaters), which began operations in 1997.

Founder: Mr. Yang Xin

Current Membership/Staff: Between 10-20 volunteers at any one time (*GreenRiver* is sustained by a rotating population of volunteers from the local community and universities throughout China)

Funding: Receives donations and assistance from other environmental NGOs and foundations (For example Hong Kong's *Friends of the Earth*, *International Fund for Animal Welfare*), as well as donations from businesses and individuals. Yang Xin also has raised money from the sale of two photo-essay books on the Yangtze River to establish the Suonandajie Protection Station on the Tibetan Plateau in 1999.

Projects and Activities Under Development

GreenRiver's activities that aim to protect the source of the Yangtze River include:

- Construct ecological monitoring station, cooperate with local scientific research organizations and journalists to survey and research the quality of the Yangtze River headwaters in order to accumulate baseline data on the health of the river and to help design an effective environmental protection plan for the basin;
- Use the monitoring stations to assist local governments in developing anti-poaching patrols;
- Recruit volunteers to educate local rural communities and tourists about the threats to the Yangtze River ecosystem;
- Complete the construction of the Suonandajie moni-

toring station through the purchase of scientific equipment and integrate the station into the local community;

- Conduct ecological surveys of the lower reaches of the Yangtze River in order to promote the protection work of the upper river areas;
- Use television and photographic essay books to expand the understanding and concern for the fragile ecosystem of the Yangtze River source more broadly throughout China. Past books include: *The Yangtze Spirit* (1997), *The Sources of the Yangtze* (2000), and *Wildlife in the Upper Reaches of the Yangtze River* (forthcoming);
- Construct a privately-run environmental protection education center in the Jinsha River Basin; and,
- Create a "panda car" mobile educational program to visit 50 schools each year and give environmental education classes.

As a photographer and explorer with a passion for the Yangtze River, Yang Xin's numerous rafting trips down the river in the 1980s enabled him to see first hand the growing destruction of the basin's ecosystem. He was thus inspired to become an environmental activist and establish *GreenRiver* in 1994. He has traveled extensively throughout China not only to raise funds for his NGO, but also to set up environmental campaigns to raise awareness of the ecological threats to the Yangtze River Basin. He spends approximately half of each year working under harsh conditions at the monitoring stations. *GreenRiver* is distinctive in that it is one of the first registered rural-based grassroots NGOs in China. Moreover, *GreenRiver* is unique in its role to bring together scientific experts and volunteers to remote regions in western China.

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Global Village of Beijing

Established: March, 1996

Where: Beijing, China, registered under the Industry and Commerce Administration Bureau of Beijing as a private corporation

Founder: Ms. Sheri Liao

Membership/Staff: 11 full-time staff and numerous volunteers, but no members

Funding: Donations and project grants from Chinese and international foundations, corporations and individuals



Chung Ming-Kuang (*Meinung Conservation Association*) and Song Qinghua (*Global Village Beijing*) converse in a quiet moment during the forum

Major Activities to Date

- *Promote practice of sustainable consumption:* (1) Using a variety of methods, *Global Village of Beijing* (*GVB*) has disseminated the concept of sustainable consumption among the public. Since 1996, *GVB* has produced 300 weekly television programs such as “Time for the Environment” on CCTV-7; (2) *GVB* initiated the idea of Earth Day in China and collaborated with five other Chinese NGOs to organize the event in the year 2000; (3) *GVB* also prints educational materials such as guidebooks, video compact discs, calendars, brochures, and posters for distribution to communities and schools, enterprises and related government departments.
- *Green community development.* In December of 1996, *GVB* helped the Neighborhood Committee of Dachengxian of Xicheng District set up the first garbage-sorting site, and cooperated with District Government of Xuanwu to set up in Jiangongnanli the first Green Community in China. The Green

Community will: (1) focus on green buildings, energy and water conservation, garbage sorting; and (2) organize a representative body composed of community residents, NGOs, and government officials.

Projects and Activities Under Development

- *Environmental education and training center.* *GVB*'s training center is located 70 kilometers outside of Beijing in Yanqing County. Surrounded by mountains, forests, springs and wetlands, the training center covers over 187 hectares of wilderness. As an NGO-managed conservation area, the goal of the center is to provide biodiversity protection, environmental education, consultation, and training programs to the public.
- *The green Olympics.* The *GVB* director sits on the consulting team for the Beijing Olympic Games Bid Committee and has been involved in Beijing's proposal for greening the games. *GVB* worked with the *Beijing Young Pioneers Work Committee* to send environmental cards to 830,000 elementary students to encourage them to make environmental commitments with their parents.
- *International outreach.* *GVB* uses its international status to promote the public environmental movement and civil society development in China. From 1998 to 2000, *GVB* was appointed the Global Environmental Facility (GEF) NGO Regional Focal Point and in 2001 was appointed China's NGO Focal Point. *GVB* is also a member of the *World Nature League Education Committee* of IUCN and member of the *Asia-Pacific Environment Journalist League*. In July of 1998, the director of *GVB* attended the Environmental Roundtable Meeting held by U.S. President Bill Clinton in Guilin, China.

The founder and current director of *GVB*, Ms. Sheri Liao, studied in the United States in the early 1990s and became aware of the development of environmental movements in both America and other countries. She then made the decision to improve environmental awareness in China by establishing *GVB* in 1996. Today, *GVB* has substantial influence on public opinion, news media coverage, policymaking and international institutions. Ms. Liao was honored with the Sophy Award in 2000, a European award to distinguished individuals in environmental protection.

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Homemakers' Union and Foundation

Established: June 1987

Where: Headquarters in Taipei, Taiwan; regional office in Taizhong

Founder: Numerous women

Current Membership/Staff: 5,000 members and approximately 100 volunteers and seven paid staff run the organization

Funding: 600 (NTB) yearly membership fee, Honor Member 10,000 (NTB), private donations and donations and grants for specific research projects

Major Activities to Date

- Supervised the implementation of the government's "trash sorting, recycling, reduction" program;
- Set up "Environmental Mothers Camp" and environmental protection courses in order to encourage more homemakers to participate in environmental and consumer protection activities;
- Used television, newspapers, and meetings in the community, schools, and local businesses to promote green consumerism, environmentally friendly offices, and environmental lifestyles;
- Promoted waste reduction through campaigns to encourage people to carry their own chopsticks, use cloth bags, and refrain from using disposable cups and plates;
- Promoted recycling of hazardous household wastes in order to create toxic-free homes;

- Set up pilot projects for composting kitchen wastes;
- Established a small-scale waste reduction project to recycle cooked oil to make soap; and,
- Conducted environmental sanitation assessments and community-level environmental surveys.

As one of the oldest nonprofit green groups in Taiwan, the *Homemakers' Union and Foundation* aims to unite women to help improve the natural environment and promote environmental education. In the mid-1980s this NGO, like most green groups in Taiwan, participated in street demonstrations and protests. One of the group's early actions consisted of women dumping garbage in the offices of legislators to protest the lack of recycling programs on the island. While such techniques led to the arrests of these women, these protests did eventually convince the Taiwanese government of the need for establishing recycling programs. The *Homemakers' Union and Foundation* often has united with other Taiwanese environmental groups and the Ecological Protection Federation to work jointly on anti-nuclear energy campaigns and other issues.

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Green Formosa Front

Established: June 1997

Where: Taipei, Taiwan

Founders: Ms. Fu Chia Chieh together with dozens of other individual environmental activists

Current Membership/Staff: 15 staff (7 fulltime) and some volunteers. This NGO does not devote energy to develop a broad-based membership

Funding: The majority of the funding comes from governmental and other competitive grants

Activities and Projects Under Development

Green Formosa Front accomplishes their grassroots and environmental justice objectives through research projects, protests, campaigns, and work with local community groups. Some specific areas include:

- Policy research and evaluation in: (1) toxic waste disposal; (2) energy policy and electricity laws; (3) garbage fee collection and recycling strategies; (4) mountain ecology protection; and (5) agricultural and organic foods policies;

- Organizational development to build closer ties among environmental activists and volunteers: (1) book club; (2) social activities among environmental activists; and (3) student camps; and,
- Specialized research projects: (1) Taipei City community planning; (2) grassroots organizing to promote sustainable development in the areas hit by the 1999 earthquake; (3) agricultural production and sales studies, (4) study promoting the use of livestock waste as organic fertilizer; and 5) coastal problems and water quality index.

In addition to the above activities, *Green Formosa Front* also organizes campaigns critiquing specific policies and government officials. In one recycling policy case, *Green Formosa Front* sued inefficient Environment Protection Administration officials in court. In 1998, this NGO also started a campaign to persuade the Taipei City government to begin the pay-by-bag policy, in order

to teach the public the take on the true cost of garbage disposal. In Taipei, this policy led to an increase in recycling from 2.3 percent to nearly 40 percent of total waste generation. The *Green Formosa Front's* policy advocacy work even has gone beyond Taiwan's borders when in 1998 staff from this NGO went to Cambodia to collect proof that Formosa Plastics in Taiwan had exported mercury-contaminated waste. This issue not only brought *Green Formosa Front* international attention, but also empowered the group to push for better industrial waste policies in Taiwan.

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Society of Wilderness

Established: 1995

Where: Headquarters in Taipei, Taiwan with several offices and training centers in Taipei, as well as offices in Taizhong, Chiayi, Kaohsiung, Hualian. Internationally there are offices in Malaysia and Nicaragua

Founder: Dr. Hsu Jen-Shiu, nature photographer

Current Membership/Staff: Over 5,000 members and between 20-30 staff members and volunteers

Funding: Membership dues, donations, and fees from classes and seminars

Major Activities to Date

- Holds more than 500 speeches and guest lectures and hosts more than 150 nature camps in Taiwan each year;
- Publishes *SOW Magazine* and *SOW Newsletter*;
- Hosts five radio shows in different cities throughout Taiwan;
- Conducts 20 training programs and seminars each year (including nature interpreter training, ecological writing, nature photography);
- Cooperates with the Provincial Museum to bring the exhibitions such as "The Original Face of Taiwan" on tour around the island; and,
- Protects Taiwan's wild lands. Members of the *Society of Wilderness (SOW)* have become guardians of Taiwan's wild lands through activities such as: (1) rescuing portions of the eastern coastline from over-development; (2) defending the Shui-Lian area from a private-sector power plant on aboriginal lands; and (3) saving the last

habitat of Taiwan's native carnivorous plant in Hsin-Tzu County.

Projects and Activities Under Development

- Establishing a children's nature education system, which would create education materials, train teachers and young nature interpreters, and set up a nature education facility;
- Raising funds to acquire more wilderness areas and let natural processes take over to help preserve wild species;
- Expanding programs to train naturalists and conservation personnel;
- Forming a legal group to monitor national environmental legislation and policy;
- Overseeing the management of national parks and publishing a *National Parks White Paper*; and,
- Assisting governmental agencies in protecting water, soil and other natural resources.

Members of this NGO believe that "wilderness is where life begins." The founder of *SOW* believes that Taiwan has been overdeveloped and in the process people have achieved only superficial material gains at the cost of the degradation of the island's natural beauty, the extinction of species, and an increasing frequency of natural disasters. The group was established with the goal to defend the last wilderness areas for this and future generations in Taiwan. The core *SOW* mission is to obtain

the guardianship and management rights of wilderness areas, allowing nature to manage and revive itself. Such land protection is done by establishing protected areas through land purchases, long-term leases, trusts, and donations. Through their activities they aim to raise funds to acquire wilderness areas and promote awareness for nature conservation by providing opportunities for ecological education.

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Kaohsiung City Teachers Ecological Education Center

Established: June 1998

Where: Taiwan, Kaohsiung City

Founder: Mr. Li Ken Cheng

Current Membership/Staff: Core membership 11-15 teachers, as well as a broader network of approximately 100 teachers from all levels of schools and concerned citizens in Kaohsiung City, who wish to help promote ecological education

Funding: N/A

Projects and Activities Under Development

- Working to build up a foundation for environmental education teaching in Taiwan by creating short-term training classes on water resource problems and protecting mountains and forests. Over the past three years approximately 3,000 people have participated in training courses and other activities at the ecological education center. These activities have led the educational community in Kaohsiung City to develop a greater awareness on the need to teach environmental education;
- Promoting awareness on the need to protect forests and private and public parks;
- Undertaking a broad range of research and survey work; and,
- Publishing a quarterly journal and developing teaching materials, with the goal of creating a strong foundation for environmental education teaching.

In the NGO capacity building session at the *Green NGO and Environmental Journalist Forum* in Hong Kong Li Ken Cheng told a story and showed pictures of some of the activities undertaken by the members of the *Kaohsiung City Teachers Ecological Education Center*. One of these pictures depicted several of the center's teachers talking to some rural citizens about protecting forestlands. The rural residents misinterpreted the teachers' call to protect the forests and thought they were being told to leave their ancestral land. Moreover, they

did not understand why the teachers said they should stop cutting down trees on their own land. A debate started and tempers began to fly, which culminated in



Two Taiwanese environmentalists, Lin Shen Tzung (a.k.a. "The Crow Spirit") and Lin Ken Cheng (*Kaohsiung City Teachers Ecological Education Center*), engrossed in conversation

the teachers from the *Ecological Education Center* getting beaten up! Lin Ken Cheng and his bruised colleagues did not lose heart and their attackers later regretted their actions. Li commented that environmental NGO work is clearly a profession with risks!

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Environmental NGOs in Hong Kong

1. *The Conservancy Association*

The first green NGO in Hong Kong, founded in 1968. (See Lee and Ng's presentation for details)

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2. *Friends of the Earth—Hong Kong*

A registered charity, founded in 1983, dedicated to protect and improve the environment in Hong Kong through education, research, and lobbying. With a team of 19 dedicated staff, they have a membership of more than 1,000 individuals, over 140 schools, and many NGOs.

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3. *WWF—Hong Kong*

An independent part of the global WWF network. Over 50 full-time staff work in three offices with nine voluntary committees made up of over 50 individuals with expertise in relevant fields to provide professional advice. Current membership is over 14,000, which includes adult, junior, teacher, and family members. They have been working since 1981 to implement a wide range of conservation and environmental education programmes in Hong Kong and Mainland China.

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4. *Greenpeace—China*

They advocate non-violent direct actions to prevent environmental damage. Current projects include campaigns for building a toxic-free Pearl River Delta, improving water quality in Dongjiang River, stopping GE food, and banning waste incineration.

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5. *Green Power*

When it was first founded, *Green Power* aimed to promote a green lifestyle and raise public concern for local environmental issues. In recent years, they have focused

on environmental conservation. *Green Power* opened the Chinese White Dolphin Resource Center in 1997. They also joined hands with Guangzhou Environmental Protection Bureau and Guangzhou Research Institute of Environmental Protection in the establishment of the Green Field Ecological Education Center, which helps to facilitate the exchange of green education between Hong Kong and Mainland China.

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6. *Produce Green Foundation*

A group of local environmental enthusiasts concerned about modern farming and nature protection created this charitable organization in 1988, and set up the first organic farm in Hong Kong. Today they run two organic farms (a total area of 360,000 square feet) in the New Territories. The foundation has published books, periodicals, and pamphlets on gardening, food and green living. The farm at Hok Tau sells organic vegetables and is opened to visitors everyday.

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www.producegreen.org.hk

7. *Clear the Air*

They are committed to promoting the introduction and implementation of measures to significantly reduce air pollution in Hong Kong by: 1) promoting and publicizing strong, focused community support for air pollution control measures; 2) working with government and stakeholders to find practical solutions; and 3) educating the public on the threat of air pollution on human health.

8/F Eastwood Centre, 5 A Kung Ngam Village Rd., Shaukeiwan, Hong Kong

E-mail: info@cleartheair.org.hk

Web Site: www.cleartheair.org.hk

8. *Civic Exchange*

An independent, nonprofit, public policy think tank established with the mission to promote civic education, public awareness and participation in governance. *Civic Exchange* undertakes research on development economics as well as social and environmental policies and practices.

Room 601, Hoseinee House, 69 Wyndham St., Central, Hong Kong

E-mail: lisah@civic-exchange.org
 Web Site: www.civic-exchange.org

9. Green Peng Chau Association

This grassroots group was established in 1991 and aims to promote environmental education (See Sannie Chan's presentation for details)

4B, Nam Wan, Peng Chau Island, Hong Kong. Post Box No. 18, Peng Chau Post Office, Hong Kong

E-mail: gpengchaua@hkbn.net

Web Site: www.greenpengchau.org.hk

10. Tai O Culture Workshop

This group aims to serve as a gathering place where local residents on Tai O Island can participate in promoting their island's traditions, culture, and sustainable development through various research and cultural exchange activities. The Tai O Culture Workshop members are enthusiastic young people, teachers, professors, clerical workers, housewives, social workers, and students.

G/F, 54 Wing On Street, Tai O, Lantau, Hong Kong.
 Phone: 852-2985-6118

China Environment Series 4

The Working Group on Environment in U.S.-China Relations, a project within the Woodrow Wilson Center's Environmental Change and Security Project, and funded by the W. Alton Jones Foundation, the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, and the Energy Foundation, has published its fourth issue of the *China Environment Series*. A tool for researchers, policymakers, and educators, *CES* examines environmental and energy challenges facing China and explores creative ideas and opportunities for governmental and nongovernmental (NGO) cooperation.

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