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### POPULATION

## **GROWTH**

We have a lot to do in the next few years if man is to survive. The key problem is overpopulation. The U.S. population is gaining 6,035 daily, 82% babies.

In order to live, we have to obtain certain things from the Earth. In order to have meaningful, happy lives, we have to preserve the quality of our environment. We have already suffered irretrievable losses. No matter what we do now, no matter how wise we are, there will be great future losses.

The **only** long-range solution is population stability achieved by the one or two child family.

### Some population-related problems

#### POLLUTION:

Air: smog, noise, fallout Water: sewage, thermal, industrial Land: garbage, litter, junkyards, mining, roads Biological Systems: pesticides, bioactive chemicals, radioactivity

#### **CROWDING:**

Tension
Indifference—cheapening of life
Jams—traffic, airways
Blight—slums
Crime
Congested parks

#### **QUALITY OF LIFE:**

Space—hiking, thinking Quiet Wilderness—wildlife Individuality

#### **SHORTAGES:**

Minerals Energy—oil, gas, coal, uranium Water Land—open space, forests, agriculture, recreation

#### **FACILITIES:**

Food
Housing
Schools—higher education
Hospitals—medical care
Services—fire, police, courts
Cultural
Transportation—highways, mass transit, airports

#### **SOME PREDICTIONS:**

296 million in U.S. and 6 to 7 billion on earth by 2,000 A.D.

Without ZPG, mass famine with 25 billion by 2,070 A.D.

### Recommended reading on population and environmental problems:

- 1. The Population Bomb by Paul Ehrlich (Sierra Club-Ballantine).
- Moment in the Sun by Robert Rienow and Leona Train Rienow (Sierra Club-Ballantine).
- (Above 2 books available from ZPG, postpaid \$1.00 each)

  3. Famine—1975! by William & Paul Paddock (Little, Brown).
- Population, Evolution, and Birth Control—A Collage of Controversial Ideas, assembled by Garrett Hardin (Freeman).
- ZERO POPULATION GROWTH is a political action organization whose purpose is to bring about population stability in the United States, then in the rest of the world. We will achieve this end by political and educational means.
- ZPG has chapters throughout the United States. These chapters are working units. Many are in college communities.
- Our earth is burdened by 8,292 additional people per hour—all infants.

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