

CODE OF ETHICS FOR TRAVELERS

- ① Travel in a spirit of humility and with a genuine desire to meet and talk with the local people.
- ① Be aware of the feelings of other people, thus preventing what might be offensive behavior. Remember this especially with photography.
- ① Cultivate the habit of listening and observing, rather than merely hearing and seeing.
- ① Realize that people in the country you visit often have time concepts and thought patterns different from your own. - not inferior, just different.
- ① Discover the enrichment that comes from seeing another way of life, rather than looking for the 'beach paradise' of the tourist posters.
- ① Acquaint yourself with the local customs. Respect local customs; people will be happy to help you.
- ① Cultivate the habit of asking questions instead of knowing all the answers.
- ① Remember that you are one of thousands of visiting tourists. Do not expect special privileges.
- ① If you really want a home away from home, why travel?
- ① Spend wisely. Remember when shopping that the bargain you obtain is only possible because of the low wages paid to the maker.

- ① Make no promises to local people unless you are certain you can fulfill them.
- ① Reflect daily on your experiences; seek to deepen your understanding.
"What enriches you may rob or violate others."
- ① Choose to be surprised, not disappointed, when places and people do not match your expectations.