

. Social justice in its wider sense is mentioned by several y.w.

. Some denounce the present situation with difficulties while others state the problems already in the terms of the struggle needed to overcome them.

Hence two sets of expressions:

a) "The perpetuation of relations of domination/subordination which sustain the social existence of groups as a result of such relations - poor, women, elderly, people of colour, homosexuals" 73 C.

"Réussir à passer à travers de tous les obstacles sans s'arrêter à ceux des autres. Faire ce qu'on veut faire sans en demander l'avis". 72 C

"Discrimination against groups, races, etc. (and people considered abnormal)" 102 C

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"Question of freedom and individual rights - a big question - mark in my country (The Phil.) . 2 J

"(In Israel) the relations between Jews and Arabs; religious Jews and non-religious Jews and Jews from Arabic countries and from Western culture". 52 E

"Un employment division in education, wealths prospects and hope for the future" 61 E

"Déséquilibre social et économique, l'inexistence d'égalité d'opportunités pour les citoyens". 53 E

"La structure même de la société qui permet la manutention et la reproduction du décalage social, en oubliant ce que c'est la justice" 55 E



"...to great differences in income ..." 77 E

"Inequality.

The gap between rich and poor is increasing and issues such as unemployment and sharing of wealth are being neglected and need dealing right now." 102 E

"Unemployment and discrimination" 110 E

"Discrimination against groups, races and persons considered abnormal."
112 E

b) "Equality among all"

"To democratize the society which will embody a kind of economic and social equality" 12 J

"Housing and welfare of the homeless and those in need" 59 E

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"Society should be more caring and less materialistic" 102 E

Some see the overcoming of social injustice with the human person as the center:

"To supply the very best and favorable conditions for the development and growth of each individual" 8 J

"People are too selfish - as long as they are all right they are not bothered" 102 E

. Economic disparities and mismanagement of the economic system are seen clearly:

"the economic, I suppose, will reach a dead end soon"	30 J
"déséquilibre économique"	53 E
"the adding price for all products"	58 E
"how to solve the economic crisis"	108 E
"the control of the economy"	42 C
"poverty and unemployment"	44 C
"poverty"	46 C
"survival of humanity"	47 C
"the unemployment situation"	66 C
"le manque l'emploi"	71 C
"increase of unemployment"	33 C
"unemployment"	5 J
"unemployment"	61 E
"unemployment"	62 E
"unemployment"	102 E
"unemployment"	107 E
"unemployment"	110 E
"unemployment"	111 E
"to work toward re-establishing economic self-reliance"	6 J
"economic stability"	7 J
"trouver un équilibre économique"	81 E
"equality among all I feel is the main concern"	46 C
"Etat-providence"	20 J

25 y.w. have adressed themselves directly to economic questions.

Among them 11 refer unemployment as one issue. This shows that youth is everywhere deeply concerned with their own possibility of finding a job. Such a fact is touching if we realize that all the y.w. who answered are interested in a professional activity.

.Social and economic questions are not only inter-dependent in the answers given (the sentences have been broken here for the sake of analysis but, in fact, they are expressed as one global concern). They are also clearly connected with the political issues as they are perceived by the groups of y.w..

a) "Political stability" is a goal, as (6 J (Ph.) "political instability" is seen as a problem 7 J

"politique d'ouverture au niveau mondial - entraide-coopération" 81 E

"East-West relations" 63 E

"the incapacity to function well among the governments which have greatest amount of armaments" 102 E

"involvement in conflicts outside of US borders" 74 C

b) Three answers give a clearer indication of the present in this group: **Fundação Cuidar o Futuro**

"A Society should chose peaceful options for political conflict resolutions in a reasonable way.

This is the main human issue and needs a drastic social change". 12 J

"Perhaps the fact that society is organised in such a way that women and men that belong to it are just considered anonymous pieces and not human beings, that can have an opinion in the decisions that are related to their lives.

This leads us to a society

where production is the important aim;

it doesn't matter how or what for.

Therefore nature is destroyed little by little in an irreversible way.

The cultural traces of specific regions disappear and

we feel we are not more than puppets in the hands of big powers" 21 E



"The control of politics by those who are indifferent to the needs of the poor, natives, blacks, women, gays and lesbians; of those who don't fit the "norm"."

42 C

The concept of politics as happening locally and yet linked internationally is very clearly expressed by one young w. What she says could be to a great extent, the summing up of the ever-widening world view and the local commitment:

"Le Japon a besoin d'être internationalisé, c'est-à-dire il nous faut penser des choses sur une échelle de globe."

21 J

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