A View of the Forest

"It is time to understand "the environment" for what it is: *the* national-security issue of the early twenty-first century." Robert D. Kaplan

"The only matter that could take Egypt to war again is water." President Anwar Sadat

"Environmental threats to security are now beginning to emerge on a global scale. The most worrisome of these stem from the possible consequences of global warming caused by the atmospheric build-up of carbon dioxide and other gases." World Commission on Environment and Development (the Brundtland Commission), <u>Our</u> <u>Common Future</u>

"Mankind's material power has now increased to a degree at which it could make the biosphere uninhabitable and will, in fact, produce this suicidal result within a foreseeable period of time if the human population of the globe does not take prompt and vigorous concerted action to check the pollution and the spoliation that are being inflicted on the biosphere by short-sighted human greed." Arnold Toynbee