

- Alternative choices must be shared: there is an ethical issue in identifying sources of protein. In the North there is a greater range of options for food sources. We must be cognisant of the impact we are making with our choices. We must question consumption rates.

### **Summary of Policy Recommendations**

- There is an urgent need for producers to receive a fair share of profits - communities must have access to and decision-making capacity with common resource base.
- Environmental issues must be addressed in the expansion of aquaculture - the environment is the foundation and limitation of sustainability: the expansion of polluting fish farms and current forestry practices are having serious impacts on the decline of the wild fishery and on wild fish stocks.
- Social consciences at all levels must be raised. Consumers, coalitions and government must work together against market forces.
- Governments must assure sustainability for the environment and for communities.
- Fish products need to be labelled so consumers are aware of what they are purchasing. (wild/farmed, domestic/imported - from where).

### **Follow up to the workshop**

There is a strong need for and interest in further networking, sharing of resources, hearing success stories, and sharing current information.

Appropriate websites were identified. Coalitions will work to ensure that smaller and isolated groups are included in the information loop.

Workshop participants would like to have a Fisheries Forum prior to the next Peoples Summit in Malaysia.

Actions taken and strategies implemented between this workshop and the 1998 Peoples' Summit will be tallied to provide a realistic "snapshot" of issues in November 1997 and changes/success by 1998.

There is a need to develop common strategies. Resistance strategies and tactics (i.e. boycotts) must be discussed further.

Any strategies must be accompanied by well-planned education campaigns.

National governments must be lobbied to raise awareness. In India, the Supreme Court has banned the expansion of shrimp farms!

Research in identifying the players at a corporate level is critical. Part of the challenge in tracking how to mount effective community resistance, is knowing who owns/is accountable for companies.