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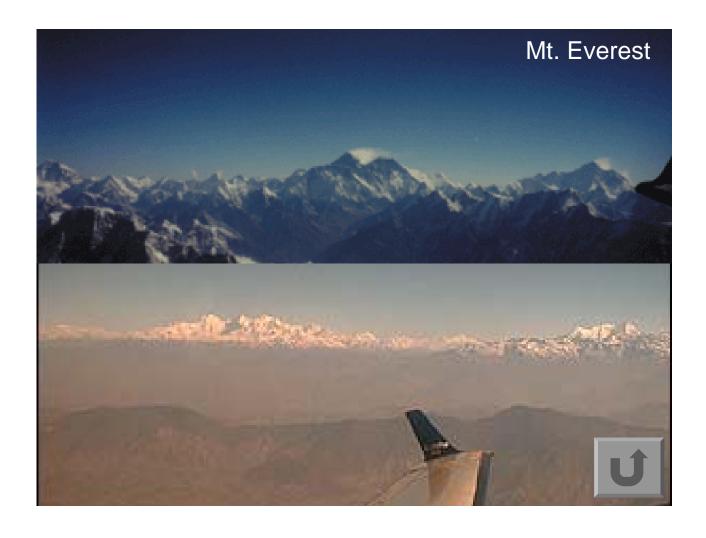
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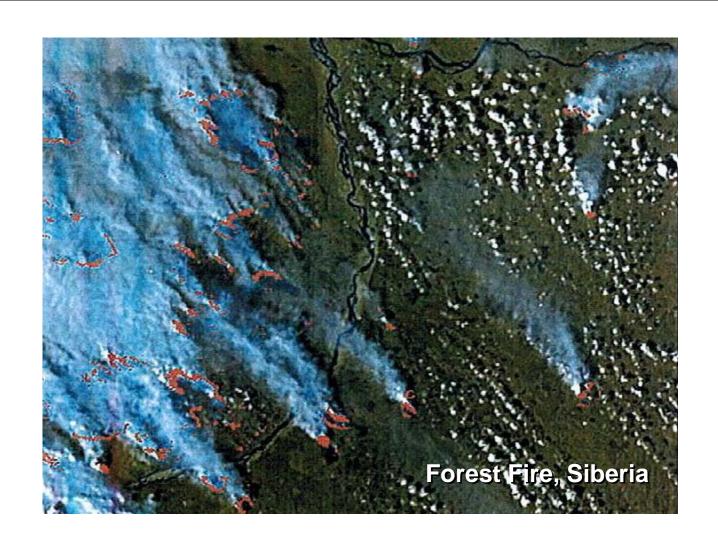
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Conclusion (draft)-1

- Recent economic development in Asia
 - Rapid growths in anthropogenic activities
 - Compressed pattern development with various loads to environment/ecosystem
- Common agenda
 - Conservation of global environment and resolving regional environmental problems should be considered as a common agenda among Northeast countries.
 - Achievement of sustainable societies through low-carbon, material-cycle-oriented society in harmony with natural ecosystem

Conclusion (draft)-2

- Importance of cooperation among member countries in the area of:
 - Solving current problem such as:
 - Desertification/land degradation, dust storm
 - Integrated management of populated cities
 - Sustainable production and consumption
 - Trans-border material transport
 - Conservation/improvement of regional ecosystem to sustain ecosystem services.
 - Human and Institutional Development in the area of:
 - Environmental information gathering and sharing,
 - Empowerment of environmental governance, Capacity development and training
 - Strengthening existing international cooperation mechanisms
 - Establishment of financial mechanisms to solving common agenda
 - Technological development and exchange through a framework co-shared by industry, academia and government.
- Responsibility of the current generation for the future generations:
 - Preventive measures to avoid unnecessary future expenditures

Final Remarks

- Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach him how to fish and you feed him for a lifetime. (Laozi)
- If we learn how to fish, we may ······

OVERFISH!

- For a sustainable use of fish resources, understanding and management is needed for the whole ecosystem.
- Appropriate fishing methods vary from place to place. In most cases, traditional knowledge and wisdom should be venerated and highly exploited.

