b-15 • Weather

For meteorologists, researchers, and forecasters ...
For government response to changing weather patterns ...
For all those contending with adverse weather conditions ...
For governments in their response to natural disasters ...

b-16 • Conception

For those trying to get pregnant ...

For fertility clinics and choices, cost of treatment, medical ethics ...

For testing for disease and inherited illness or abnormality For the health of mothers and fathers ...

For care, nutrition, and emotional health during pregnancy

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b-17 • Personal morality

For those who have difficult moral decisions to make ...

For those in work where ethical standards are threatened ...

For those on ethical committees ...

For the education o four children,

For the relations between matters of faith and citizenship

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b-18 • Military

For wisdom in military expenditure ...

For right use of armed forces ...

For the training of the armed forces ...

For fairness, equality and justice in military life ...

For manufacturing and the sale of armaments ...

b-19 • Terrorism

For peaceful solutions ...

For victims of terrorism ...

For those who are fearful of terrorist attacks ...

For those in jobs involving high risk ...

For negotiators ...

For the political process ...

b-20 • Children

For healthy development, physically and mentally ...

For education – numeracy, literacy, skills and hobbies ...

For protection from harm and abuse ...

For child workers in the world and safeguards for them ...

For children who are breadwinners ...

b-1 • Refugees

For those who have lost their homes through natural disaster ...

For those who have suffered such loss through war ...

For those who have been evicted or fled through persecution

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For refugees who come to our country and have nowhere to live ...

For our handling of refugees ...

For asylum seekers and fair treatment for them ...

b-2 • Food

For farmers and labourers, and all who depend on the land

For our care of the environment, and the fertility of the earth

For the diversity of produce, of species and varieties ...

For food scientists and nutritional experts ...

For the use of alternative foods and sources of food ...

For all who do not have enough food ...

b-3 • Religious communities

For those who set us an example of God-oriented lives ...

For religious orders at work in our society ...

For those who seek the help of religious communities ...

For the establishment of new communities and the challenges of change ...

For interdenominational and international relations between communities ...

b-4 • Democracy and dissent

For all involved in political processes ...

For minority voices ...

For the resolution of political conflicts ...

For the participation of all groups in society in political life

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For honesty in public life ...

For freedom of information ...

For freedom of speech ...

For the handling of issues that are considered taboo ...

b-5 • The judiciary

For all judges and justices of the peace ...

For clear distinction between politics and the system of justice ...

For jurors and the selection of them ...

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For freedom to travel between countries and within them \dots

For affordable costs of travelling ...

For airports, their workers and passengers ...

For ports, for customs staff and other workers ...

For those visiting new lands ...

For those cut off from others because of travel problems

b-26 • HIV/Aids

For those dying of Aids ...

For those with Aids who do not know it or are afraid to find out ...

For those who are born HIV-positive ...

For the treatment of those suffering form Aids ...

For education programmes and reduced infections ...

For those orphaned by Aids ...

For recovery from the destabilising impact of Aids ...

For UNAids and other agencies ...

For the development and use of drugs to combat the illness

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(Aids kills 2m people per year in Africa, 10 times as many as war; and 4m were newly infected last year. Half of all 15-year olds living in South Africa and Zimbabwe and two-thirds of 15-year olds living in Botswana are infected. There are 12.1 children orphaned as a result of Aids in Africa. Life expectancy has been cut by 20 years. – The Guardian 8 July 2000, p.17)

b-27 • Media

For TV, newspapers, radio
For impartial and fair reporting ...
For freedom of information ...

b-28 • Culture

For morality in modern and post-modern culture For realism about consumerism, its benefits and costs For subcultures and traditions, good and bad

b-29 • Eradication of disease

For the fight against the diseases of poverty • malaria, cholera

For combatting malnutrition

For overcoming the diseases of ignorance, prejudice and misinformation

For improvements in health care and health education

b-30 • Birth control

For education about contraception ...

For councillors, businessmen, voluntary workers ...

For museums, galleries, zoo, leisure centres, and recreational facilities ...

23 • Unemployment, underemployment

For the unemployed ...

For the seemingly unemployable ...

For those with insufficient employment ...

For those in work unsuited to them ...

For those undergoing training or retraining ...

For those who have retired ...

For those who have been made redundant ...

24 • Human rights

For human rights workers ...

For prisoners of conscience ...

For those silenced by intimidation or violence ...

For all who write, phone or demonstrate on behalf of the victims of human rights abuse ...

For those who suffer torture ...

For the disappeared and their friends and relatives ...

25 • Babies

For babies born in adverse circumstances ...

For babies born prematurely ...

For babies born with disabilities, drug addictions ...

For refugees and their babies ...

For those born in countries at war ...

For those who are orphaned at birth ...

26 • Seamen

For all who work on ships – officers, crew, ancillary staff ... For foreign nationals, and especially for their pay and

conditions ...

For all who travel by sea ...

For those in the rescue services ...

For the control and policing of shipping ...

For all fishermen and the food that comes from the sea ...

For proper protection for whales and vulnerable species ...

27 • International relations

For our country's foreign policy ...

For our relations and integration with Europe ...

For our armed forces stationed in other parts of the world ...

For our aid and help for other countries ...

For trade links and fairness in trade ...

Estimated number of land mines in the world: Egypt, 23m; Iran 16m; Angola 9-15m; Iraq 10m; Afghanistan 10m; Cambodia 8-10m; Bosnia 2-3m; Croatia 2m; Mozambique 2m.

Land Mines Database, 1997

12 • Health

For hospitals and health centres ...

For doctors, nurses, surgeons ...

For support and administrative staff in hospitals ...

For ambulance drivers and paramedics ...

For health visitors ...

For dentists, opticians, chiropodists ...

For osteopaths, chiropractors, physiotherapists ...

For occupational therapists, speech therapists, music therapists ...

13 • Universities and research institutes

For all those in higher education ...

For administrative and support staff ...

For the funding of research projects ...

For all those making an original contribution to our scientific and technical knowledge ...

For beneficial consequences of scientific, technical, and medical discoveries and inventions ...

14 • World-wide organisations

For the United Nations and its agencies, such as UNICEF, UNESCO, WHO, FAO ...

For inter-governmental agencies ...

For the European Union, NATO, the Council of Europe ...

15 • Transport

For transport systems ...

For workers in transport ...

For public transport ...

For the right use of private transport ...

For those promoting alternative transport schemes ...

For those without transport of their own ...

For our own city and country, and our transport needs ...

16 • Water

For projects to create sources of clean water for people ...

For irrigation projects for the land ...

For health education on water-borne diseases ...

For schemes to create reservoirs and dams ...

For our own use of water ...

A bi-monthly cycle of prayer topics

1 • The environment

For our stewardship of the world's resources ...

For our use of energy (from gas, oil, coal, wind, wave, solar, nuclear) ...

For our use of insecticides, herbicides, antibiotics ...

For our care for the animals we keep, and use, and eat ...

For our exploitation of the earth's resources ...

For efforts to stem desertification ...

For attempts to stop or reduce pollution ...

2 • The world economy

For fair pay for all workers ...

For a fair price for all produce ...

For 'Fairtrade' organisations ...

For a more even distribution of food in the world ...

For help for the most heavily indebted countries ...

The military expenditure of wealthy countries is some 30 times larger than their aid budgets for development in the southern part of the world. (The Gaia Atlas of Planet Management. London

• Gaia Books, 1994)

3 • Racial harmony

For peace between peoples ...

for protection for minorities ...

For racial tolerance ...

For equal opportunities for all ethnic groups ...

That the aspirations of distinct ethnic groups may be considered (especially the Kurds, Armenians, the people of East Timor, Tibetans ...)

4 • Disadvantaged groups

For socially disadvantaged groups (in Japan • the Burakumin; in India • the Untouchables / Dalits; in Bulgaria the Roma people ...)

For religious minorities ...

For those who have difficulty speaking the main language ...

5 • The disabled

For those with physical handicaps ...

For the deaf and the blind ...

For those with learning difficulties ...

For the elderly ...

For facilities and activities for the disabled ...

For thiose who care for the disabled ...