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Greetings to Friends around the world!

My name is Susanna Mattingly and I have recently joined the Friends World Committee for Consultation World Office in London in the newly created role of Sustainability Communications Officer.

I will be working to support yearly meetings around the world to take further action on the [Sustainability Minute](#) approved at the World Plenary Meeting, Pisac, Peru 2016, which asks yearly meetings to initiate at least two concrete actions on sustainability, involving Young Friends in key roles.

The main focus of my work will be sharing stories of Friends' concerns and actions on sustainability across the world, and how these are shaped by the underlying spiritual imperative prompting us to take action to make the world a better place.

In particular, I am keen to connect with existing Young Friends' networks, linking them across FWCC's four Sections and different Quaker traditions, engaging Young Adult Friends in a global Quaker sustainability movement.

At the very start of this project I am keen to first learn more about **what your yearly meeting needs** in relation to sustainability and the interconnected issues of climate change, reduction of natural resources, human rights and economic justice.

For example, it might be that you need to increase access to expertise and climate science; or resources and materials explaining our work; or shareable stories and videos of sustainability in action; or real-time connections with other Quakers across the world, working on related issues.

With regards to sustainability, perhaps you could begin by telling me:

1. What sustainability challenges and opportunities you are facing as a yearly meeting?
2. What has been going well within your yearly meeting?
3. What has not been going so well?
4. What would you like to see happen?
5. What do you need to make this happen?

If there is a dedicated contact person for sustainability in your yearly meeting, please could you share their name and contact details with me.

I would welcome your reflections on your yearly meeting's experiences of sustainability and your stories of 'living sustainably and sustaining life on earth'. Your responses will help shape our approach to this project and FWCC sustainability communications going forward.

In Friendship,

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