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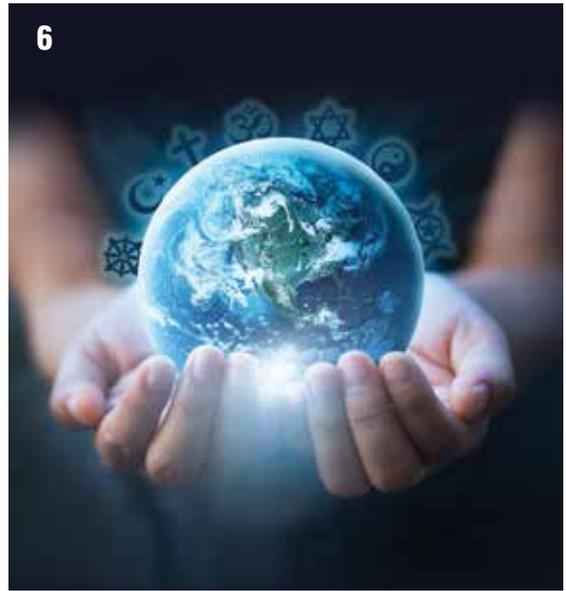
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Behind the Climate-change Agenda

It was in the summer of 1992 that a motley assortment of leftist politicians, New Age mystics, and activists from environmentalist NGOs came together in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, for what was billed as the “Earth Summit.” The event attracted a veritable Who’s Who of internationalist elites, including Canadian billionaire Maurice Strong and a delegation of U.S. senators of both parties, led by John Kerry and soon-to-be vice president Al Gore. At the time, the Rio gathering attracted as much attention for the bizarre antics of the fringier New Age elements in attendance as for its actual stated aims. But Strong, Gore, and company were completely serious then, and the progress the globalist environmental movement has made in the three decades since speaks volumes about their true intentions.

The original Earth Summit has given way to a series of glitzy annual UN-sponsored events known as United Nations Climate Change Conferences, the most recent of which was held in November 2022 at Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt. Like the Rio event, each of these conferences is designed to serve a specific purpose: using the supposed global environmental catastrophe as a pretext for creating world government.

While this may seem hyperbolic, consider the success that the globalists have had in reaching their goals. In 1992, Al Gore wanted what he called a “Marshall Plan for the environment,” an international program that — like its post-World War II namesake — would transfer an immense amount of wealth from rich to poor countries. But while the original Marshall Plan was carried out in the name of rebuilding economies shattered by war, Gore wanted a permanent heavy transfer of foreign aid from developed to underdeveloped countries in the name of the global environment. Fast-forward to the 2022 climate conference, known informally as COP27, and voilà! We have just witnessed the creation of a permanent system of so-called loss and damage payments, a plan to coerce rich countries into donating hundreds of billions of taxpayer dollars to poor nations in Africa, Asia, and Latin America as reparations for the damage allegedly done to the cli-

mate by industrialization. As we are all sick of hearing, climate change supposedly is created by all of the awful technologies that we used to believe had improved our standard of living. It turns out that fossil fuels must be banned, factories shuttered, and carbon footprints erased in order to return to the agrarian bliss that our pre-industrial ancestors enjoyed for the duration of their 30-year average lifespans.

Along the way from Rio 1992 to Sharm El Sheikh 2022, we have seen the implementation of many of the goals of the original United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change signed at Rio. First came the Kyoto Protocol in 1997, which was superseded by the Paris Agreement in 2016. Each of these agreements promulgated more and more “soft laws” committing signatories to — among other things — drastically reduce greenhouse gas emissions by a target date. The overall goal of this entire movement is to bring human technological progress to a screeching halt by creating an international regime that will literally make industrialization and the use of most natural resources illegal.

And now Americans are experiencing the fruits of this Utopian project firsthand, thanks to a Biden administration that is completely aligned with the goals of these radicals. All of Biden’s seemingly irrational decisions to shut down pipelines and drilling and to impose massive new burdens on the entire energy industry, even in a time of high inflation and acute shortages, are in fact efforts to comply with the international climate regime, no matter what it costs ordinary Americans.

In this issue, our writers — one of whom attended COP27 — expose the dangerous reality of growing global tyranny in the name of climate control, including an insidious drive to dilute and eventually replace Christian beliefs with New Age enviro-paganism. It is time for Americans to awaken to the danger of this treacherous movement and elect leaders who will throw off the shackles being forged for our country in the name of saving the planet.

— Steve Bonta



THE UN'S *New World Religion*

The UN's climate agenda threatens not only nationhood and freedom, but also religion. The UN's religion, on full display at the climate conference in Egypt, should alarm all people of faith.

by Alex Newman

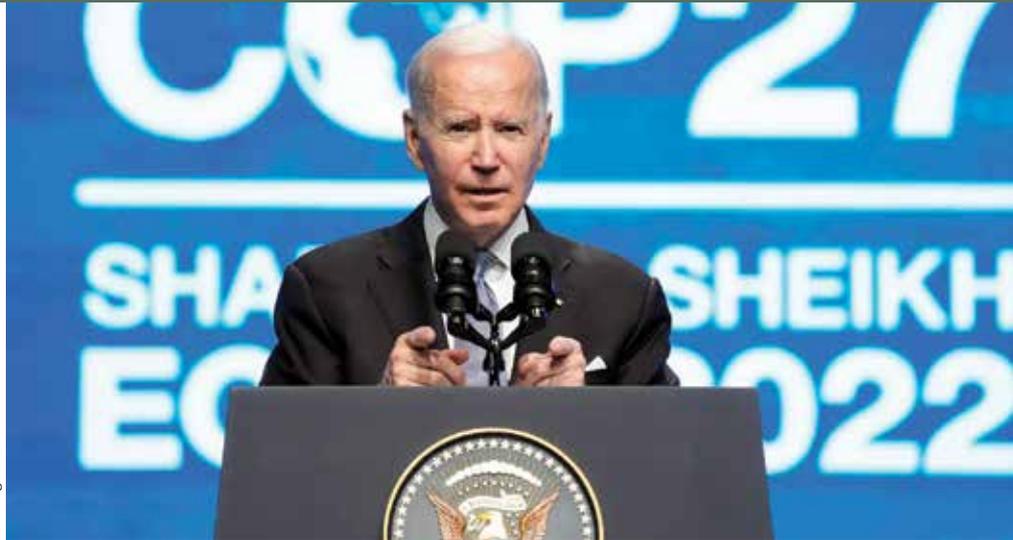
SINAI, EGYPT — Faith leaders of the world, unite! That was the message of self-styled representatives of major religions gathered on the Sinai Peninsula for the United Nations “climate” summit, a historic event infused with pagan and New Age spirituality from the moment attendees got off their CO₂-spewing airplanes.

The religious nature of the UN “Conference of the Parties 27” (COP27) was embedded into practically everything. Giant posters reading “Welcome to Egypt: The Dawn of Conscience,” featuring the Egyptian Sun god’s symbols in the official COP27 logo, greeted travelers arriving at the airport. In the center of the posters was a bizarre message from “The Declaration of Innocence Before Being Judged Before the Scale of Ma’at and Entering the Afterlife,” a pagan Egyptian document supposedly written more than 4,000 years ago. It included, among other messages about sin, “I have not polluted the water or the earth.”

Critics and prominent skeptical scientists such as MIT meteorology professor emeritus Richard Lindzen have long ridiculed man-made global-warming alarmism as a religious movement and even a “cult.” There is good reason for it. Then-UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) boss Rajendra Pachauri famously declared in 2015, “For me the protection of Planet Earth, the survival of all species and sustainability of our ecosystems is more than a mission. It is my religion and my dharma.”

The warning signs have been around for decades (see William F. Jasper’s article on page 13). UN climate czarina Christiana Figueres opened the 2010 COP summit with a prayer to Ixchel — the Mayan goddess of cannibalism, human sacrifice, and war — claiming that the goddess was associated with “creativity.” In 2012, the famous Christ the Redeemer statue overlooking Rio de Janeiro was lit up by green lights for the UN Conference on Sustainable Development. Lord Christopher Monckton, who served as science advisor to U.K. Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher,

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Climate patsy: Without much U.S. media coverage, Biden attended the UN’s COP27, apologizing for Trump’s decision to leave the Paris Agreement and warning of “climate hell” if humanity does not submit to UN controls.

told *The New American* it was “a kind of childish message that the environmental religion is now replacing Christianity.”

Many other UN events and figures have offered similar clues. But never before this latest UN summit has the alarmist movement so openly and frequently invoked faith and spirituality in the fight against what leaders ranging from Joe Biden to UN Secretary-General António Guterres called the looming “climate hell” — a dystopian future of hurricanes, floods, and droughts supposedly awaiting humanity if people refuse to repent and submit to drastic new controls over their behavior.

There were dozens of “religious” events during the UN conference. And countless religious leaders weighed in. “I hope that steps forward are taken with courage and determination, in the footsteps of the Paris Accords,” Pope Francis said in his remarks about COP27, referring to the 2015 UN agreement that would see the United States and other Western nations slash CO₂ emissions and sabotage their economies — even as Communist China’s CO₂ emissions and economic growth keep surging.

The Roman Catholic leader, author of the infamous enviro-encyclical *Laudato Si* promoting globalism and environmentalism, also celebrated his “Laudato Si Action Platform,” released a year ago, which he said “promotes ecological conversion and lifestyles consistent with it.”

The pope described it as a “journey aimed at responding to the cry of the earth.” “I encourage this crucial mission for the future of humanity, so that it may foster in everyone a concrete commitment to care for Creation,” the increasingly controversial pontiff added as COP27 was taking place.

In the United Kingdom, top religious leaders spoke out too. “The climate emergency is an existential global threat that requires a global response, with radical action,” said Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby, who serves as leader of the Church of England, about COP27 before wildly abusing Scripture. “God calls us to embrace justice. Christian scripture describes how we share in the ‘renewed creation of heaven and earth with justice’ (2 Peter 3:13). Let justice flow so that we see human lives and hope restored, and the life of the earth itself protected and renewed.”

Ten Commandments

Amid the cacophony of important events, discussions, schemes, and grandiose policy proposals to reshape civilization at the 27th annual UN “climate change” summit, the religious agenda stood out as far more significant. It has been in the works for many decades, of course, as readers of this magazine know well. But the public emergence of a new and supposedly improved system of morality and ethics, un-

derpinned by the growing global alliance of religious leaders and movements, is now coming out of the closet.

Some of it was almost surreal. As tens of thousands of political and business leaders from around the world gathered on the Sinai Peninsula for the UN summit, self-proclaimed religious leaders — from pagans and Muslims to Christians and Jews — walked up what is said to be Mount Sinai (some scholars say the biblical Mount Sinai is likely in Saudi Arabia) with green tablets described as the new “Ten Commandments.” The assembled faithful launched the “Sinai Climate Partnership” and kicked it all off with a “climate repentance” spectacle, with the figures purporting to represent various religions repenting of their carbon-dioxide emissions and other environmental “sins.”

Then, “green energy” grifter Yosef Abramowitz — described in glowing media reports as a “solar entrepreneur” — smashed the tablets as if he were Moses. “We look down to Sharm el-Sheikh and we’re not satisfied,” intoned Abramowitz, referring to the resort town where climate dignitaries, activists, and journalists, along with over 125 heads of state and government, were meeting to supposedly save the world.

“The political leadership of the world has not come through on climate until now,” he fumed. “It’s the 27th gathering of world leaders, and things are just getting worse. We are calling on faith leaders to add to the sense of urgency and to have them weigh in, hopefully forcefully and globally, to push for the reduction by 50 percent, at least, of global warming emissions by 2030. Reducing emissions so gradually is immoral at this point.”

Critics were appalled at the spectacle. “Did Abramowitz, a Jewish man, recognize the irony in his action?” wondered the Cornwall Alliance for the Stewardship of Creation’s Dr. Calvin Beisner, who specializes in theology and environ-

mental issues. “Moses smashed the stone tablets in anger at the Israelites’ apostasy from the faith of Yahweh, their God, who had delivered them from slavery in Egypt. Their worshiping the idol was syncretistic, trying to weave together the religion of Yahweh and the polytheistic religion of Egypt. But the Sinai Climate Partnership is nothing if it is not a syncretistic wedding of modern Judaism with other religions.”

Dr. Beisner, whose Christian ministry approaches environmental issues from a biblical perspective, told *The New American* that the principles were so vague that anyone without serious religious convictions could embrace them — regardless of where they stood on the climate-change debate. He also highlighted Abramowitz’s green-energy ventures, noting that if an oil company CEO had hosted such a publicity stunt, the media would have screamed about the conflict of interest. Abramowitz

also studied under socialist “historian” Howard Zinn, Beisner observed.

“I’m not saying all the religious leaders involved in the Sinai Climate Partnership are socialists (though one suspects most are) or bring to their action the same conflict of interest Abramowitz does as president of a solar energy company,” added Beisner. “But what I am saying is that they were duped into putting their religious imprimaturs onto an event the real purpose of which was anything but Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu. Its real purpose was to further the socialist goals of the climate-alarmist movement while furthering the financial aims of its prime mover. And its relevance to climate alarmism and actual stewardship of the Earth is approximately zero.”

The new Ten Commandments, re-framed as an “addendum” to help bring about “Heaven on Earth” with a “Third Covenant,” are vague and sometimes pantheistic. They include statements such as “creation is not our possession”; “we recognize human responsibility to love and protect nature”; “Creation is not simply external to God. It is, in significant ways, permeated by God’s presence and being”; “We must care for each other and the planet”; “we are responsible for the wellbeing of all life today”; “a disciplined spiritual life is helpful in overcoming the challenges of climate change”; “Change our inner climate”; “Compassion means suffering with others — to feel the pain of the earth,” and much more.

From London and New York City to Jerusalem and Calcutta, “religious leaders” gathered in cities worldwide as part of the festivities. Many more would have been at “Mount Sinai,” except the Egyptian government refused to permit it. But while major religious figures from all sorts of traditions celebrated the controversial events, plenty of critics were appalled at what they referred to as blasphemy and sacrilege.



Demise of common sense: All over the airports and beyond, summit attendees were greeted by official COP27 posters featuring supposed environmental wisdom from pagan Egyptian texts comparing pollution to sin.

Prominent journalist Leo Hohmann, a Christian, noted that projecting the “agenda of evil globalist predators” through the ceremonies and new commandments represents “major blasphemy in action on the part of these fake faith leaders.”

“Climate hysteria, i.e. Earth worship, is a key component of the coming one-world religion and we’re seeing it on full display in Egypt this week at the United Nations COP 27 climate conference,” added Hohmann, pointing to the conference logo and the ceremony.

The architects of the religious events were surprised by the fierce backlash, they told *The New American* in an exclusive 38-minute interview at the UN summit the following day. James Sternlicht, who as CEO of the Peace Department served as one of the main organizers, walked back some of the messaging. “We’re not trying to replace the Ten Commandments, but that’s not obvious,” he said, acknowledging problems with their “communications.” But then he doubled down.

“One conduit for reaching millions and billions of people around the world is religion,” Sternlicht said, adding that the alliance would be “working on activating houses of worship in communities around the world to engage in climate action.”

“With a new kind of Ten Commandments of climate change — which are an addendum to, not a replacement for, the original Ten Commandments — and a Third Covenant that we’re kind of working on between mankind and creation, that we would refocus on those elements of the teachings from across religions that point us in the direction of fixing the problems that we’ve created,” he continued, “so that we can build that real Kingdom of Heaven here on Earth.”

Another one of the ringleaders, Interfaith Center for Sustainable Development chief Rabbi Yonatan Neril, also had some very unorthodox takes on Scripture, many of which he outlined in his *Eco Bible* being distributed worldwide. Speaking to *The New American*, he misquoted Genesis and claimed God put “the human being” in the Garden of Eden “to serve it and conserve it,” wording that is not found in any major translation of the Scriptures.

Echoing Great Reset-style rhetoric being heard at major international gatherings, Rabbi Neril claimed humanity



Blasphemous business as usual: Peace Department CEO James Sternlicht, co-organizer of COP27 religious events, said the new Ten Commandments were an “addendum” to the original and that a “Third Covenant” to build the “Kingdom of Heaven on Earth” was in the works.

needs a drastic reset of the systems of life and civilization. “We need to change the operating system that humanity generated and is degrading God’s creation,” he claimed. “By doing that we will address the symptoms of the problem and manifest a new earth.”

To make that a reality, religious leaders and people must be brought on board. “Leveraging” so-called faith communities to “move the needle on climate advocacy is a deeply needed and worthwhile effort,” the controversial rabbi said. “While the national political culture is so divided, faith is this common ground that can soften the boundaries and open hearts and minds.... The solutions to our ecological crisis are spiritual solutions because the roots of our ecological crisis are spiritual roots.... Religion and religious clergy and leaders need to be the delivery vehicle for climate action,” added Neril.

UN World Religion

The UN also played a key role in the events and the broader effort to leverage the religions of the world into service of the UN agenda. The UN “Faith for Earth Initiative,” with its tagline “religion uniting for the planet,” has long been active in recruiting religious leaders into the move-

ment. “Eighty-five percent of the world population believe in a faith or a religion, and the power of that is humongous,” said UN Faith for Earth Initiative Director Iyad Abumoghli in explaining the scheme’s *raison d’être*. “We can harness that in mobilizing faith leaders and faith followers in protecting the Earth.”

“One of the main objectives of the Faith for Earth Initiative is to strategically engage with faith-based organizations (FBOs) and mobilize faith leaders and the faith community in an effective partnership to collectively achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and fulfil the objectives of the 2030 Agenda,” the UN agency said about its religious outreach, referring to the controversial UN Agenda 2030 that UN leaders called the “masterplan for humanity.”

Two years ago, the UN outfit even released a book, *Faith for Earth — A Call for Action*, claiming that the world’s religions basically agree with the UN’s environmental agenda. And its mission is very simple: “To encourage, empower and engage with faith-based organizations as partners, at all levels, toward achieving the Sustainable Development Goals and fulfilling the 2030 Agenda.” The agency partners with the Parliament of the

World's Religions and other UN-backed groups working to unify the world's religious movements under the UN banner.

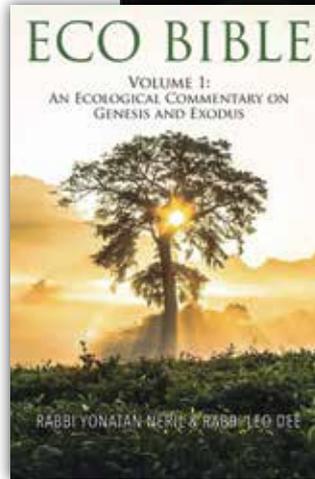
The United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) has also been highly active in accomplishing that. Last summer, it brought together the World Council of Churches (WCC), the Muslim Council of Elders, and the New York Board of Rabbis to sign the “Climate-Responsible Finance — A moral imperative and responsibility to all children and the living world” calling on all banks to line up behind the UN agenda.

UN boss Guterres, former leader of the Socialist International, celebrated “this important faith-based initiative,” noting that “people, communities and organizations of faith have the influence needed to effect this transition.”

The New American repeatedly asked UNEP boss Inger Andersen, who participated in some of the religious ceremonies, for comment at the COP27, but she and her handlers insisted every time that Andersen had no time, partly because she needed to go participate in one of the religious events at the UN conference.

Aside from that UNEP initiative is the broader “UN Interagency Task Force on Religion and Sustainable Development” (UN IATF-R), which aims to connect all tentacles of the UN with “faith-based/-inspired civil society actors.” The goal is “engaging faith-based organizations and networks” in pursuing the UN agenda. Among other activities, it has promoted “Faith in the UN” conferences and is becoming increasingly successful in having the UN agenda advanced by religious leaders and organizations.

Another key organizer of the new Ten Commandments festivities was the self-proclaimed “Elijah Board of World Religious Leaders,” an outfit that claims it “brings together some of the world’s most prominent religious figures from Judaism, Islam, Christianity, Buddhism and the Religions of India.” The group has deep ties to the UN. Indeed, the Elijah Interfaith Institute is an official “partner” of the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Taxpayers around



Lost in translation: The *Eco Bible*, created by Interfaith Center for Sustainable Development chief Rabbi Yonatan Neril, offers environmentalist commentary on the first five books of the Hebrew Bible.

the world also help fund the outfit through the UN and other sources.

Beyond the UN, the organization’s sponsors include the far-left globalist Carnegie Fund, the New Age spirituality-peddling Fetzer Institute, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, a member of the infamous Bronfman family, and other tax-exempt mega-foundations. In the description of its “Religious Genius” grant for the Elijah Interfaith Institute, the John Templeton Foundation notes that the goal of the funding is “to change the discourse, views and attitudes of different religious communities.”

Another religious event that took place at COP27 was organized by Religions for Peace, a powerful UN-backed group bringing together world religious leaders that until recently was led by a member of the CFR. Dubbed “Realizing Ambition Through Ethical, Intergenerational and Multisectoral Responses to Climate Crises,” the UN COP27 side event attracted prominent government and religious leaders to emphasize the importance of using religion to aid in global transformation.

“The question is not whether religions should be engaged, the question is how? There are two important things to keep in mind: this meeting is important, the other forty faith-based meetings [during COP27] are important; what’s even more

important is how these religious actors can come together to invest in each other’s ability to do effective programs and initiatives,” said Secretary General of Religions for Peace Azza Karam, who previously worked at the population-control agency UN Population Fund (UNFPA).

Government leaders agreed. Speaking at the same event, Vanuatu Special Envoy on Climate Change Bakoa Kaltongga argued that “without centralizing our actions around the human values and the harmonizing between science and religions, our actions will only lead to unsustainable and destructive developments.”

Religious leaders echoed those views. Judge Mohamed Abdelsalam, senior representative of “His Eminence Grand Imam of Al-Azhar, Secretary-General of the Muslim Council of Elders, and co-president, Religions for Peace,” spoke about how “all heavenly religions, including Islam, have affirmed through the speeches of religious figures around the world, that it is necessary to protect the Earth, our common home, and to maintain its harmony and balance.”

New Ethics and Morality

Even the secular arms of the UN were openly calling for a new system of morality and ethics to replace the old ones, which apparently are no longer adequate

for caring for “Mother Earth.” In a report by the UN Development Program (UNDP) for COP27, dubbed “Uncertain Times, Unsettled Lives: Shaping Our Future in a Transforming World,” the UN agency made the secular call for a new moral order explicit and transparent.

“Evolutionary processes and *ethical reasoning* may have interacted in reaching the current prevailing configurations of behaviors and institutions,” the UN report explains. “But today’s uncertain times have novel elements that present fundamentally new challenges, and *those configurations may not be a good match.*” (Emphasis added.) Basically, the original Ten Commandments delivered to Moses by the Creator of the Heavens and the Earth are not just obsolete, but contribute to the supposed “climate emergency.”

The implications of this are extraordinary. “In other words, ethics evolved from a past evolutionary stage of human history, and due to modern exigencies should be abandoned as obsolete,” explained ethicist Daniel Natal, host of *The Daniel Natal Show*, after reviewing the UN document. “In the vacuum created by the deletion of ethics, a new moral code can be uploaded.”

This seems to be what the UN is seeking. “Uncertainty itself can be a source of

knowledge to be mobilized to act differently, something that empowers individuals and societies to adopt fundamental changes in choices, that leads people to act according to *new moral codes* and that can enhance cooperation when it gives more salience to thinking about the future,” the UNEP report states, as if adopting a new moral code were as simple as getting new shoes to replace old ones.

The Three-legged Stool for UN Transformation

The plan for restructuring the world under the guise of saving mankind from climate change, known as Agenda 2030, was adopted by the UN in 2015. UN General Assembly boss Peter Thomson described it at the time as the “masterplan for humanity.” The roadmap for global tyranny comes complete with 17 “Sustainable Development Goals” to govern and reshape every area of life on “Mother Earth.”

The UN already got all of its nearly 200 member governments on board with the program, which the regime in Communist China played a “crucial role” in creating, according to Chinese Communist Party (CCP) propaganda organs. The Great Reset-peddling World Economic Forum, meanwhile, signed a “strategic partnership” with the UN to bring the global busi-

ness community in line on imposing the UN agenda upon humanity. Megabanks around the world, working with the UN, are working to force it on firms large and small. That means business and government are firmly on the bandwagon.

One key sector was missing, though. Late management guru Peter Drucker, who mentored business tycoons and politicians as well as religious figures such as American megachurch pastor Rick Warren (CFR), outlined his vision of a three-legged stool for bringing about major changes. The first leg is government, or the “public sector.” The second leg is business, also known as the “private sector.” Finally, the third leg is the “social” sector, primarily religious institutions and, to a lesser extent, “civil society” and non-governmental organizations.

Pope Francis was one of the early advocates for Agenda 2030, even speaking at the UN General Assembly about the importance of the global scheme. But Catholics represent only slightly more than one billion people, leaving some seven billion adherents of other faiths out of the fold. As such, many UN-backed religious alliances and networks are working to conscript the rest of the “third leg” so the stool can be complete. They are making great progress.

In the effort to transform society under the UN’s Agenda 2030, Religions for Peace and its financial backers — the UN, the U.S. State Department, George Soros, the Rockefellers, and more — brought about 1,000 religious representatives to Germany in 2019 to promote the scheme at the 10th World Assembly. Participants agreed to create an “Alliance of Virtue” in which all the religions unite by focusing on “virtues shared widely across religious traditions and other virtue heritages.”

In their final declaration, the religious leaders agreed to “urge religious communities to invest their resources in alignment with achieving the SDGs.” They also called for the UN agenda, rather than their own sacred texts such as the Bible, to guide human development. “We commit to human development as set forth in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs),” the agreement declares, adding that signatories will “advocate for government policies” in line with the UN’s climate vision.

The third leg is solidifying rapidly. Drucker disciple Rick Warren, founder of



Pageant of treason: Over 125 presidents and prime ministers attended the UN climate summit agreed to restructure the global economy and transfer vast amounts of wealth from the West to poorer areas.

the gigantic Saddleback Church in California and a member of the globalist Council on Foreign Relations, has had a cozy relationship with the UN and globalism for many years. In fact, in 2005, he spoke at UN headquarters to encourage delegates and world leaders to come together to help the poor, traditionally seen by Christians as the duty of individual believers rather than the role of civil government.

Warren's so-called P.E.A.C.E. plan, which stands for "Promote reconciliation — Equip servant leaders — Assist the poor — Care for the sick — Educate the next generation," aims to involve "every Christian and every church in every nation" in the effort. But it has faced strong criticism. And while it is ostensibly Christian, Warren himself has indicated it goes beyond that. "We'll work with everyone who wants to help," he said. "I'll work with an atheist who wants to stop AIDS."

Warren has also fueled suspicion about what critics referred to as his efforts to fuse Islam and Christianity as if they shared the same basic beliefs. Indeed, Warren partnered with Islamic leaders in California to come up with a set of common "theological principles" that include the claim that Christians and Muslims worship the

same God, an idea that Christian and Islamic theologians have rejected. While Warren rejects accusations of promoting "Chrislam," many have expressed deep concerns.

Just Say No

The New American magazine has been documenting the accelerating UN push to unify and weaponize the world's religions for decades. Over 20 years ago, Senior Editor William F. Jasper wrote about the would-be New World Religion in these pages. Even then, globalists made the agenda clear. "My hope is that this charter will be a kind of Ten Commandments, a 'Sermon on the Mount,' that provides a guide for human behavior toward the environment in the next century and beyond," former Soviet dictator Mikhail Gorbachev said as governments gathered to advance the UN's Earth Charter.

Top UN leaders' own forays into religious issues are beyond troubling. Many were and continue to be disciples of Lucifer Publishing Company founder Alice Bailey, who claimed to be communicating with "Ascended Master" spirits giving her critical insights into the coming New Age and one-world government. Assistant UN Secretary General Robert Muller was one

of those disciples, as well as the author of the radical World Core Curriculum that famously got him called the "father of global education."

At the urging of Intercessors for America, a Christian prayer group, thousands of Christians prayed to expose the "dangerous lie" behind the "Counterfeit Climate 'Repentance' Ceremonies." "Lord Jesus, we know that You are the one holding this planet in the palm of your hands — not the United Nations, and not the climate alarmists — JUST YOU!" they prayed. "Please open the eyes of the religious leaders who have been drawn into this web of lies called climate change, and show them the truth."

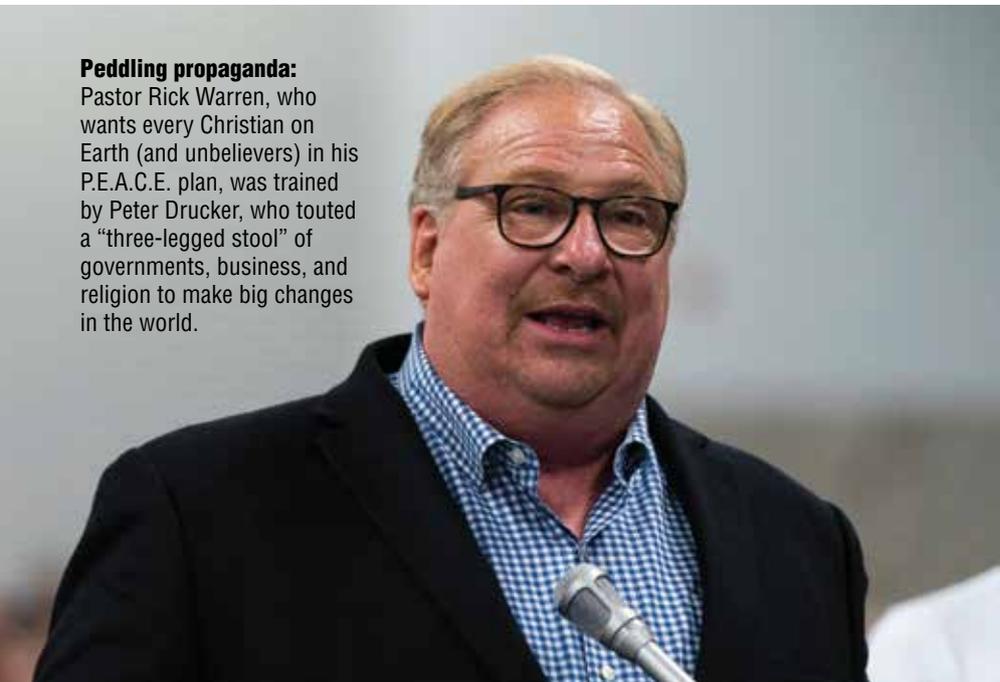
In comments to *The New American*, former senior environmental official for Canada-turned-whistleblower Sheila Zilinsky said the "eco-friendly death cult" was "deliberately hatched decades ago as the basis for a diabolical political agenda that has nothing at all to do with science or the environment." Zilinsky, author of the 2015 book *Green Gospel: The New World Religion*, said the cult leaders targeted CO₂ "because it is the God-given natural and necessary byproduct of the activity that sustains human life." Going "carbon neutral" is "literally suicide," she said, calling the cult leaders "anti-human, anti-family and anti-Christ." If they get their global "climate" regime, it will usher in "hell on earth," she added.

The principles and moral truths in the Ten Commandments delivered to Moses by God have been the foundation for every advanced and civilized society in human history. Moral laws such as "thou shalt not murder," "thou shalt not steal," "thou shalt not bear false witness," and "thou shalt not commit adultery" are essential to individual liberty, prosperity, peace, and security. The effort to replace or even add to those has been widely regarded with suspicion and outright hostility around the globe.

Ultimately, the significance of this push for a new moral code and a unification of the world's religions cannot be overstated. Under the guise of "saving Mother Earth" from humanity's "climate sins," the Bible — believed to be God's Word by Christians, and the foundation of Western civilization — is under direct attack. Don't drink the Kool-Aid, and don't let others drink it, either! ■

Peddling propaganda:

Pastor Rick Warren, who wants every Christian on Earth (and unbelievers) in his P.E.A.C.E. plan, was trained by Peter Drucker, who touted a "three-legged stool" of governments, business, and religion to make big changes in the world.



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ORIGINS OF GREEN RELIGION

World-government shills plan to replace traditional religions with a new global eco-ethic, co-opting trusted world leaders to promote their depopulationist agenda.



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Globalist launchpad: UN Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali and conference organizers open the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro on June 3, 1992. Leaders from 178 countries and representatives of more than 1,000 nongovernmental organizations attended.

by William F. Jasper

The United Nations' 27th Conference of Parties (COP27), which took place November 6-20 in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt, has been yet another predictable exhibition of political, corporate, and bureaucratic elites pushing global-warming hysteria, population control, global wealth redistribution, and world government. Also predictable was the globalists' hijacking of the world's religions to promote pagan eco-theology and the dystopian future envisioned in the Great Reset of the Davos billionaires club known as the World Economic Forum

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(WEF). This was all so predictable because we have seen it so many times before, and *The New American* has reported on it repeatedly and extensively over the past three decades.

On site at the recent COP27 summit in Egypt (November 14-18), *The New American's* Alex Newman reported on the ongoing globalist push to harness the moral authority of religious leaders to promote the radical UN agenda under the guise of "climate justice" and "climate reparations" and of saving the planet from the non-existent emergency of so-called man-made climate change (formerly known as global warming, until the warming alarmists found they were losing public trust with their exaggerated and false claims).

(To see videos of our live, on-site COP27 reporting from Sharm El Sheikh, go to <https://thenewamerican.com/world-news/un/climate-conference/>.)

Eyewitness to Earth Summit Lunacy

This writer was an eyewitness reporter in Rio de Janeiro for the 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) — better known as the UN Earth Summit — from which the clamorous, clangorous climate-change cabal emerged. From start to finish, the Rio Earth Summit was suffused in pagan-pantheist-New Age "spirituality," and enshrined a new dogma of the "Sacred Earth" and "Divine Nature." I described this in detail in my reports from Rio and in my 1992 book *Global Tyranny...Step by Step: The United Nations and the Emerging New World Order*.

The following excerpt is one small example taken from that book, in the chapter titled "The New World Religion":

In his opening address to the UNCED plenary session, Earth Summit Secretary-General Maurice Strong directed the world's attention to the Declaration of the Sacred Earth Gathering, which was part of the pre-Summit ceremonies. "[T]he changes in behavior and direction called for here," said Strong, "must be rooted in our deepest spiritual, moral and ethical values."

According to the declaration, the ecological crisis, "transcends all national, religious, cultural, social, political, and economic boundaries.... The responsibility of each human being today is to choose between

the force of darkness and the force of light. We must therefore transform our attitudes and values and adopt a renewed respect for the superior law of Divine Nature.”

I noted further:

On the eve of the opening of UNCED, a midnight-to-dawn homage to the “Female Planet” was held on Leme Beach. After dancing all night, the worshippers followed a Brazilian tribal high priestess to the water’s edge where they offered flowers and fruits to “Iemanje, mae orixa, mother of the powers, queen of the seas,” and then invoked the blessings of the sea goddess upon the summit’s deliberations. At the first plenary session, Uri Marinov, Israel’s Minister of the Environment, issued a New Ten Commandments on Environment and Development....

The Union for Natural Environment Protection, an environmental group based in São Leopoldo, Brazil, declared the following about the work of the summit: “A world-wide citizens’ movement is born around the UN system and will be in the

years ahead a central focal point for the New World Order which Alice Bailey wrote about many decades ago and which is going to be politically free, socially fair, economically efficient and environmentally sustainable.”

The Alice Bailey referred to above by the UN acolytes is the infamous Luciferian occultist-theosophist, publisher of *Lucifer* magazine, and an avid proponent of the United Nations. Her pagan-New Age vision for a New World Order aligned closely with the apparent designs of the globalist elites, as demonstrated by the UN Earth Charter and Ark of Hope; the 2017 World Government Summit in the United Arab Emirates (with UN, WEF, and CFR elites meeting under the Arch of Ba’al, the demonic ancient Phoenician-Carthaginian god that demanded child sacrifice); the bizarre and diabolical ceremony of European Union elites for the grand opening of Switzerland’s Gotthard Base Tunnel; the opening of the 2010 UN climate summit in Cancun with Christiana Figueres, who was then the UN climate boss, offering a prayer to Ixchel, the Mayan goddess associated with war, human sacrifice, and cannibalism; and the World Economic Fo-

rum’s launch of its Young Global Leaders Druid Collective.

And those are but a few examples of the many that could be offered to illustrate this disturbing trend amongst the occult oligarchy that seeks to “transform” the world spiritually in a direction that leads to the infernal abyss.

Earth Charter: Gorbachev’s Holy Writ

Ten years after the 1992 Earth Summit, the UN reprised its Rio extravaganza at the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD, also known as Earth Summit II or Rio+10) in Johannesburg, South Africa, unveiling the Earth Charter, the new “global ethic” crafted by Mikhail Gorbachev and Maurice Strong, assisted by a “Commission of Eminent Persons.” Among the 23 “eminent” commissioners aiding this subversive endeavor were Leonardo Boff, a leading voice of Marxist liberation theology; Steven Rockefeller, a radical environmentalist, New Age philosopher, and scion of the uber-wealthy Rockefeller clan; Shridath Ramphal of the Commission on Global Governance; and Federico Mayor Zaragoza, member of the Club of Rome, former director-general of UNESCO, and a co-chair of Mikhail Gorbachev’s State of the World Forum.

Reporting on the Johannesburg summit, we noted in a 2002 article titled “The New World Religion”:

According to the Charter, humanity must undergo a global “change of mind and heart.” And the UN’s all-wise seers visualize themselves as the lead change agents for this global undertaking. The Earth Charter Initiative, however, candidly admits that it intends to recruit your children as change agents, as well. “We seek to increase the participation of young people in utilizing the Earth Charter as a guideline in their work as active agents of change,” says the Earth Charter Initiative website. They have been doing precisely that, and will be accelerating their program throughout the world — including in schools in your neighborhood. The U.S. Conference of Mayors is but one of hundreds of organizations, schools, municipalities, and other entities that have signed on as supporters of this



The would-be gods: Billionaire Maurice Strong and Mikhail Gorbachev at the 1997 UN Rio-Plus-Five Conference in Rio de Janeiro. Along with Steven Rockefeller, they drafted the UN Earth Charter.

declaration of a new “global ethic” for the world.

“My hope is that this charter will be a kind of Ten Commandments, a ‘Sermon on the Mount,’ that provides a guide for human behavior toward the environment in the next century and beyond,” said co-author of the document Mikhail Gorbachev. Interesting, is it not, that the globalist hierarchy would entrust to the late Comrade Gorbachev, a self-professed atheist-materialist-communist, the task of playing God and coming up with a new Decalogue to replace the one written in stone by the finger of (the real) God and the Eight Beatitudes by our Lord Jesus Christ? Popular media-driven perceptions to the contrary, Gorbachev never gave up his atheist-materialist-communist beliefs. After all, the bloody-handed former dictator unequivocally stated, “I am a Communist, a convinced Communist! For some that may be a fantasy. But for me it is my main goal.” Furthermore, he explained his materialist/pantheist “theology” in these terms: “I believe in the cosmos. All of us are linked to the cosmos. So, nature is my god.” He restated this “Nature is my god/Cosmos is my god” personal creed in various interviews and public statements, and it is proudly posted on the website of Green Cross International, which he founded.

Gorbachev’s main Earth Charter co-author Maurice Strong was more emphatic than Gorbachev, stating, “The real goal of the Earth Charter is that it will in fact become like the Ten Commandments.” Like Gorbachev, Strong suffered no lack of hubris when it came to assuming divine wisdom to correct the supposed deficiencies in the biblical pronouncements of the Almighty. Like Klaus Schwab, Prince/King Charles, Bill Gates, George Soros, Mark Zuckerberg, and the rest of the megalomaniacal, luxury-loving plutocrats of the World Economic Forum, the late Maurice Strong was an unconvincing “environmentalist.” Although he railed against carbon footprints, air conditioning, fossil fuels, meat consumption, and private automobiles, the Canadian billionaire owned multiple estates (including the massive Baca Grande Ranch in Colorado sitting atop an enormous aquifer) and lived the typical Davos jet-setting lifestyle. He owed



Gaia, of thee we sing: Children indoctrinated in eco-babble are used as propaganda props at most UN confabs, including the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, with youngsters shown here singing beneath Mother Earth.

much of his fortune to boosts from David Rockefeller and Edmund de Rothschild. And, like Rockefeller, Rothschild, Soros, Gates, and so many other “capitalists,” he was cozy with the totalitarian communist regime in Beijing. (Note: His cousin, communist propagandist Anna Louise Strong, befriended Bolshevik leaders Lenin and Trotsky and was an important mouthpiece for Mao Tse-tung and Zhou En-lai in China.) Maurice Strong spent much of his time during the last years of his life (he died in 2015) at his luxury residence in Communist China, where he wrangled business deals and hobnobbed with Chinese Communist Party princelings and panjandrums.

Although Strong went to his eternal reward seven years ago, Gorbachev shuffled off this mortal coil only this past August. It is not likely that the huzzahs and eulogies of “the great and the good” here on this earthly realm impressed the Divine Judge when they stood before Him. It likely did not go well for them. The Lord God is a jealous God (Exodus 20:5) and is not one to brook impostors peddling a syncretic pseudo-gospel as a spiritual cover for their own political empowerment.

The globalist “transformation,” as put

forth in the Great Reset — resetting all humanity economically, politically, biologically, socially, morally, and spiritually — requires buy-in from a whole lot of people. This is why the would-be world rulers have expended so much capital and energy on creating, seducing, bribing, bullying, and extorting thought leaders and influencers to promote their subversive globalist schemes.

Using Churches to Spread the Gospel of Marx

Since the vast majority (roughly 85 percent, according to the Pew Research Center) of Earth’s inhabitants identify as religious, a crucial part of the globalist cabal’s strategy involves co-opting trusted religious leaders to promote their agenda. Thus the aggressive recruitment of “mainstream” Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, and Buddhist leaders over the past several decades. The National Council of Churches (NCC) and World Council of Churches (WCC) have long been the leading forces in promoting globalist and communist objectives among Protestant member churches. Prominent communist churchmen such as “social gospel” populizer Reverend Harry F. Ward (identified as a Soviet agent by former top communists Manning Johnson, Leonard Patterson, Zach Ko-

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mfeder, and Benjamin Gitlow) played key roles in leading NCC/WCC churches down the Marxist path. The revelations of Soviet KGB archivist Vasili Mitrokhin in 1999 (*The Sword and the Shield: The Mitrokhin Archive and the Secret History of the KGB*) confirmed the long-held and well-founded suspicions of knowledgeable WCC observers that Metropolitan Nikodim Rotov of the Russian Orthodox Church, a WCC president, was a KGB agent assigned to subvert Christian churches and lead them in support of socialist and environmentalist causes. Mitrokhin also identified at least four additional high-level WCC officials as KGB agents.

Bulgarian historian Momchil Metodiev added to this in 2010 with his meticulously researched book (*Between Faith and Compromise*), which utilized the archives of the communist Bulgarian intelligence (junior partners of the Soviet KGB). Among the important disclosures by Metodiev is the confirmation that Bulgarian WCC official Todor Sabev was a longtime communist agent. Sabev held high WCC posts for decades, including WCC deputy general secretary and special WCC representative to the Vatican for Orthodox-Catholic unity.

Members of the WCC include Eastern Orthodox, Pentecostal, Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Mennonite, Moravian, and Baptist World Alliance churches. At COP27, the WCC held a special "side event" with its partners (ACT Alliance, All Africa Conference of Churches, Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University, Bread for the World, and Lutheran World Federation) to double down on its calls for "climate justice" and funding for "adaptation" and "loss and damages" (euphemisms for "climate

reparations," i.e., wealth redistribution from U.S. and EU taxpayers to UN globalists, international organizations, and Third World kleptocrats).

"COP 27 is a critical occasion for governments to together re-envision, develop, commit to and implement a roadmap towards a fossil fuel-free, post-growth, equitable and sustainable tomorrow, and to tackle the greatest existential challenge to life on the planet," the WCC said. The WCC executive committee also urged a "loss and damage financing facility to compensate communities and countries on the frontline of climate impacts and

to support their efforts in building resilience." Of course, true resiliency requires affordable, reliable energy, something the renewables (solar and wind) have proven they won't deliver. The WCC opposition to coal, oil, natural gas, hydro, and nuclear energy guarantee poverty, privation, hunger — and even starvation — for the world's poor they claim to be helping.

Like the WCC, the National Council of Churches tilts reliably to the left and expends a great deal of its influence preaching *against* "the Christian Right" and *for* "reproductive rights" (i.e., abortion), LGBTQ rights, "inter-religious dialogue," radical environmentalism, and other liberal-left hobby horses. Besides working hand in hand with communist organizations and front groups, the NCC is funded not so much by its church congregations as by the usual leftist-globalist tax-exempt foundations: Rockefeller, Ford, Tides, Kellogg, Knight, et al.

Pope Francis Gives Blessing to UN-Globalist Agenda

The Roman Catholic Church is by far the largest Christian church to remain outside the World Council of Churches. However, in recent decades the Vatican has worked more closely with the WCC, as well as other "ecumenical" organizations promoting inter-religious unity. Because the pope of the Roman Catholic Church speaks with unique moral authority — inasmuch as he is the most widely recognized and respected spiritual leader and speaks for the largest Christian denomination — both the communists and the globalists have worked assiduously to infiltrate and subvert the Catholic Church, from the local parishes and diocesan seminaries all the way up to the highest levels of the Vatican. Dr. Bella Dodd in the 1950s and Vasili Mitrokhin in the 1990s are among the top ex-communists who have testified concerning the alarming Soviet penetration of the Church.

Recent popes, going back to



Red wolf in sheep's clothing: Soviet KGB agent Metropolitan Nikodim Rotov was made a top prelate of the Russian Orthodox Church with the assignment of subverting Christianity. He became a president of the World Council of Churches and a key Kremlin agent inside the Vatican.

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the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965), have weakened the Church's stance against communism and socialism while showing ever-greater affinity for the communist-dominated United Nations and a general drift toward the globalist agenda. However, the pontificate of Pope Francis has amounted to nothing less than a wholesale revolution within the Catholic Church, openly embracing communist leaders and communist-socialist causes and causing enormous scandal and confusion with myriad heretical actions and statements that blatantly contradict Church doctrine and dogma.

Cardinal Gerhard Muller, former prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the Vatican's oldest department of the Roman Curia, has gone so far as to call Francis' ongoing Synod on Synodality "a hostile takeover of the Church of Jesus Christ" that is aimed at "the destruction of the Catholic Church." "And we must resist it like the old heretics of the Arianism," he said.

In addition to repeatedly undermining — by word and action — Church teaching on the sin of homosexual acts, Francis has undermined Church teaching on marriage; supported pro-abortion "Catholic" politicians (Joe Biden, Nancy Pelosi, Emmanuel Macron, and Justin Trudeau, to name a few); removed or demoted stalwart traditionalist and conservative prelates

and replaced them with radical bishops and cardinals; suppressed the traditional Latin Mass while promoting pagan/panteist worship; appointed notoriously pro-abortion, pro-euthanasia, and pro-LGBTQ non-Catholics (and even atheist anti-Catholics) to the Pontifical Academy for Life and the Pontifical Academy for Social Sciences; agreed to allow the Chinese Communist Party to appoint communist "bishops"; and refused to meet with or support the heroic, 90-year-old Cardinal Joseph Zen while he was persecuted by the CCP.

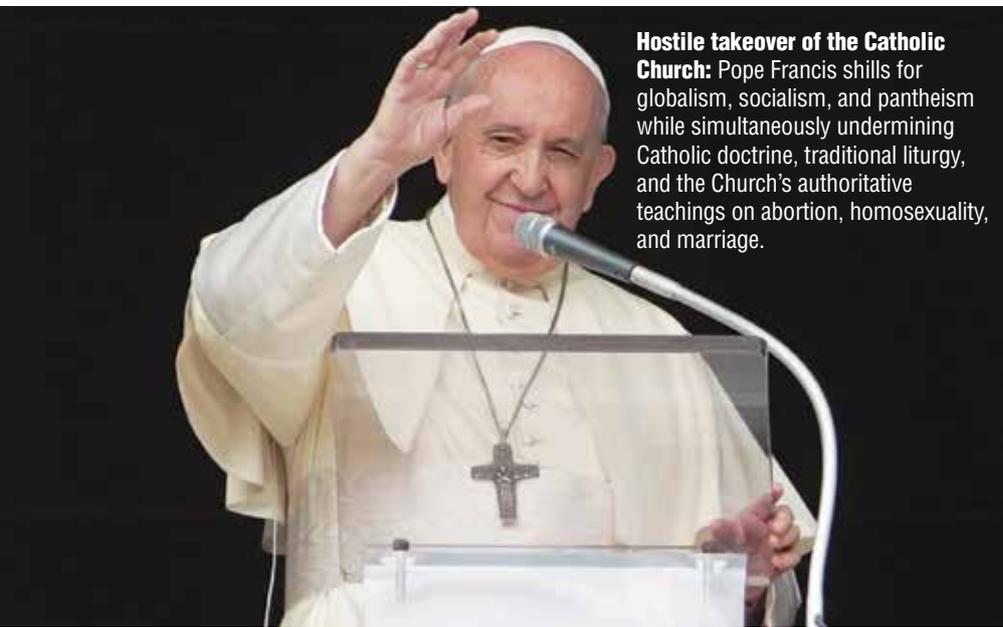
These and other unprecedented scandals too numerous to mention here have caused Catholic cardinals, bishops, priests, and prominent lay people to declare themselves in resistance to Pope Francis' auto-demolition of the Church. Among Pope Francis' many heterodox obsessions is his fanatical preoccupation with the supposed "existential crisis" of global warming. At the beginning of COP27, Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Pietro Parolin delivered Pope Francis' message of support for the UN's 2015 Paris Agreement and the UN's Framework Convention on Climate Change. "Climate change will not wait for us," Cardinal Parolin said on behalf of the pontiff. "Our world is now far too interdependent and cannot permit itself to be structured into unsustainable isolated blocks of countries. This is a time for international and intergenerational

solidarity." Secretary Parolin reminded the COP27 attendees and the world audience that in 2020 Pope Francis had made a commitment to net zero emissions before 2050. In that video message to the UN virtual Climate Ambition Summit marking the fifth anniversary of the Paris Agreement, he promised that the "Holy See is committed to promoting education in integral ecology."

The term "integral ecology," which appeared 10 times in the pope's 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si*, appears to mean lifelong indoctrination in radical environmentalism disguised as Christian theology. The title *Laudato Si* ("Praise to You") is an Italian phrase taken from St. Francis of Assisi's "Canticle of the Sun" praising God for his gifts of creation. Although defenders of *Laudato Si* point out that it is sprinkled with statements condemning abortion and defending core Catholic teachings, there is no question that its central message is aimed at dramatically shifting Catholic theology to the left and placing a papal imprimatur on radical green activism. This has been made perfectly clear with the pope's subsequent actions, statements, and appointments, including the launching of the *Laudato Si* Movement, an international network of hundreds of Catholic organizations mobilized to "care for our common home and achieve climate and ecological justice."

The leftward tilt of *Laudato Si* is not surprising considering the major input provided by atheists, pantheists, Marxists, and globalists such as UN factotum (and George Soros minion) Jeffrey Sachs, UN climate propagandist and climate computer-model worshipper Hans Joachim Schellnhuber, and Brazilian ex-priest and Liberation Theology zealot Leonardo Boff, to name but a few.

Most disturbing of *Laudato Si*'s messages is its call for world government to deal with the "crises" of climate change, pollution, migration, poverty, wealth distribution, war, and other "global problems." In his claim that these crises and problems show "there is urgent need of a true world political authority," Pope Francis demonstrates that he is in step with the globalist-communist Great Reset of the World Economic Forum, by which Klaus Schwab, Bill Gates, George Soros, Xi Jinping, and other WEF oligarchs intend to play God and remake the world in their own image. ■



Hostile takeover of the Catholic Church: Pope Francis shills for globalism, socialism, and pantheism while simultaneously undermining Catholic doctrine, traditional liturgy, and the Church's authoritative teachings on abortion, homosexuality, and marriage.

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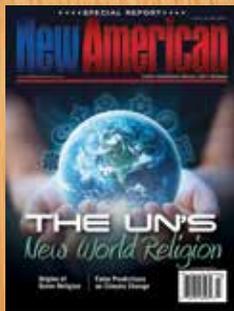
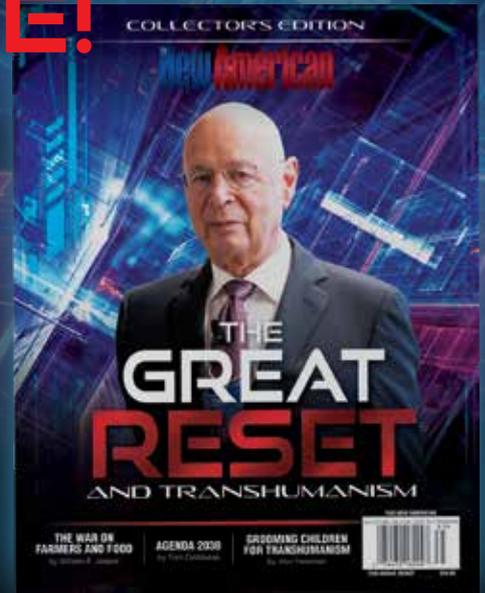
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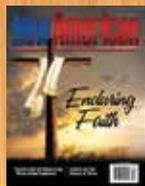
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Get Ready for “Climate Reparations”

While the runaway global warming forecast by climate alarmists has not materialized, climate change is still being used as a rationale for a gargantuan global redistribution of wealth.

Guilt complex: Claiming CO₂ emissions from developed nations were causing global warming, U.S. Special Presidential Envoy for Climate John Kerry pleaded guilty for Americans, potentially subjecting them to unlimited liability.



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by Alex Newman

SHARM EL SHEIKH, EGYPT — What is left of the American and Western middle classes have been set up for a shakedown of unimaginable proportions. With help from the Biden administration and Special Presidential Envoy for Climate John Kerry, governments and dictators of the world gathered at the United Nations COP27 agreed that Americans and Europeans must pay climate “reparations.” But wealth redistribution is just one element of the fleecing being engineered that will cost every family in the West thousands of dollars or more each year to restructure the world.

Taxpayers and citizens of developed nations must hand over tril-

lions of dollars annually in the name of “climate justice,” governments agreed. In practice, as countless analysts have pointed out, this will loot the poor and middle classes in wealthier nations in order to subsidize the wealthy kleptocratic elites of poorer nations and the crony capitalists waiting in the wings. At the same time, a total restructuring toward technocracy will be required of the global economy and of its energy systems, according to the UN deal and the world leaders responsible for it.

Details of the global fleecing for climate reparations and for remaking the world’s economic and energy systems are set to be worked out over the coming year. But world leaders have conceded that Western peoples and the CO₂ emitted amid their

economic development produced “climate change.” As such, they must pay for the “loss and damage” that climate change is producing, a revolutionary principle that has now been enshrined in an international agreement for the first time and may subject Americans to potentially limitless liability for damages caused by every weather event going forward.

Essentially, the UN and its member governments, along with the legions of tax-funded climate activists with tax-funded nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), argued that CO₂ emissions from the United States and Europe are responsible for worsening everything from droughts and floods to hurricanes and storms. And for the first time, those governments signed on to an international agreement basically pleading guilty.

Naturally, there was no credit or thanks offered to those nations and peoples supposedly responsible for the “climate emergency” for having blessed the world with air travel, light bulbs, air conditioning, refrigeration, electrification, modern communications, internal combustion engines, railways, or any of the other incredible technologies that have made life immeasurably better and easier for all of humanity.

The seizure of potentially unlimited Western wealth will be accompanied by the ongoing, systematic dismantling of Western economies and energy systems under the guise of “saving” the “climate.” That means that even as Westerners are expected to pay more and more money in climate damages, they will have less and less ability to produce the wealth that the global predatory class intends to steal and redistribute. It is akin to stealing the gold-

en eggs and then killing the goose that lays them, writ large.

This is precisely what the eco-fanatics behind Obama and Biden’s “science” policies have been advocating for decades. Obama “science czar” John Holdren, infamous for touting forced abortions and the addition of sterilizing agents to the water supply for reducing the U.S. population, wrote plainly in his 1973 book *Human Ecology*. “A massive campaign must be launched to restore a high-quality environment in North America and to *de-develop* the United States,” he said. (Emphasis added.) “De-development means bringing our economic system (especially patterns of consumption) into line with the realities of ecology.”

The next year, the Club of Rome, an enormously influential alliance of mostly communist and globalist world leaders, echoed that sentiment in its report *Mankind at the Turning Point*. “Nations cannot be interdependent without each of them giving up some of, or at least acknowledging limits to, its own independence,” the report said in a direct attack on national

sovereignty and self-government. “Now is the time to draw up a master plan for organic sustainable growth and world development based on global allocation of all finite resources and a new global economic system.”

All of this “climate action” must be done based on “differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities, in the light of different national circumstances,” the new agreement says. In other words, wealthier countries that innovated and prospered thanks to free markets must pay the price for success and be “de-developed.” Making that even more clear, the agreement calls on “developed country Parties to urgently and significantly scale up their provision of climate finance, technology transfer and capacity-building” for “developing country Parties.”

Communist China, which emits far more CO₂ than the entire Western world combined, is exempt from paying reparations, of course, even though it stole most of its technology from the people, companies, and nations being extorted for climate reparations. It is also exempt

under the Paris Agreement from reducing or even stabilizing its CO₂ emissions until at least 2030, even as the regime is set to bring more coal-fired power plants online in the next few years than the United States has in total. Nobody at the summit was willing to discuss the billion-pound dragon in the room in any depth with *The New American*, for reasons that remain unclear, and the CCP delegation did not respond to multiple requests for comment.

The Western spending foreseen in the latest UN climate deal goes far beyond mere wealth redistribution. And the figures are staggering. In the COP27 agreement, signed by all UN member states, governments claimed that “about USD 4 trillion per year needs to be invested in renewable energy.” Not coincidentally, despite its own reliance on cheap and reliable hydrocarbon energy, Communist China controls much of the “renewable energy” market worldwide, both in manufactured products such as solar panels, batteries, and windmills, as well as in minerals and raw materials needed.

The final agreement, dubbed the “Sharm el-Sheikh Implementation Plan,” also contains a Marxist-style demand for government control over the means of production and consumption. Indeed, echoing the UN’s Agenda 2030 Sustainable Development Goals, it touts the alleged “importance” of a “transition to sustainable lifestyles and sustainable patterns of consumption and production.”

Then there is the restructuring of the global economy away from what is left of the free-enterprise system and cheap energy, toward technocracy and central planning. It will be expensive. The broader “global transformation to a low-carbon economy is expected to require investment of at least USD 4-6 trillion per year,” the text of the UN agreement continues, echoing figures tossed out by “experts” promoted by the Great Reset-peddling World Economic Forum.

The deal also calls for *another* \$6 trillion to be handed to “developing country Parties” (governments and dictators) to help them deal with their debts and climate impacts, and to impose on their victims their commitments made under the UN “Paris Agreement.” Why those “developing country Parties” would make commitments they could not afford was not made



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Conveniently ignored: The Communist Chinese regime is rapidly building coal-fired power plants to ensure cheap, reliable electricity as Western firms facing staggering prices set up shop in China to be able to compete globally.

clear, but it is possible they were following the U.S. government's example or were promised more Western tax money.

Extracting that sort of wealth from the struggling middle classes in the West “will require a transformation of the financial system and its structures and processes, engaging governments, central banks, commercial banks, institutional investors and other financial actors,” the agreement continues. In other words, the banking sector must be forced through UN-backed policies to divert investment and credit away from profitable and necessary economic activity such as reliable power, and into “green” energy schemes demanded by globalists and governments, such as the unreliable windmills and solar panels largely produced by globalist cronies or Communist Chinese outfits.

Speaking on a panel with World Economic Forum President Børge Brende and other crony tycoons dubbed the “First Movers Coalition,” Kerry expanded on the ideas enshrined in the agreement about fundamentally transforming the global economic system. “We have an enormous challenge before us ... to harness the deeply capable capacity of private sector entrepreneurs in order to bring them to the table because without it, no government has enough money.... We need everybody behind this,” he explained.

The effort involves government manipulation of the market to get businesses to do what the climate movement wants. “The idea behind the launch of the First Movers Coalition is pretty straightforward,” Kerry explained, touting the U.S. State Department’s partnership with the World Economic Forum. “We needed to create demand signals in the market where they didn’t exist, which takes boldness, it takes courage from these executives who have made the decision to be a part of this.”

In plain English, Kerry — along with Klaus Schwab’s World Economic Forum — is promoting the merger of corporate and state power. That is, of course, the very definition of fascism offered by Italian dictator Benito Mussolini. It is also the economic model pursued by National Socialist (Nazi) tyrant Adolf Hitler, who allowed private companies to exist as long as they did the bidding of the regime. Despite being ruled by the “Communist” Party, China’s economic system is similar.

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Manufactured outrage: Rent-a-mob activists funded by governments were at the UN summit demanding the same thing as politicians: wealth redistribution, shutting down Western power grids, and UN controls on humanity.

Ironically, Kerry even admitted that the effort to conscript businesses into the “climate” agenda was informed partly on the Covid response. “We modelled it somewhat on the experience of what happened with vaccines,” said the former secretary of state. “The government said ‘we’ll pay for it, build it.’ People who were putting capital at risk knew that they could get a return on that capital or at least cover their expenses in the case of something like vaccines, where human life was so at risk. Well, human life is at risk now in the context of the challenges of the global climate crisis.”

Aside from energy, food production was a key target of those working to hijack business and the economy. Multiple UN

officials fingered agriculture as one of the worst culprits behind “climate change.” On that front, the UN established the “four-year Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security” to further squeeze independent farmers and ranchers. Also unveiled was the UN “Food and Agriculture for Sustainable Transformation” (FAST) initiative. It will “transform” the food supply and diets based on a UN “roadmap” demanded by crony investors.

“There has never been this much attention to food and agriculture any time before,” gushed UN Food and Agriculture Organization Deputy Director Zitouni Ould-Dada, who serves under the leadership of a CCP member who was reportedly



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False prophet: UN boss António Guterres, former leader of the Socialist International, claimed “climate hell” awaits humanity if governments do not surrender more of their citizens’ money and freedoms.

installed in his post thanks to bribes and bullying by his masters in Beijing. “This COP is definitely the one.” There was all sorts of buzz around the “Just Transition” for farmers being developed by the UN, though details remain murky. Several officials acknowledged escalating food shortages, though none acknowledged the role of UN-backed policies in the crisis.

Despite the scale of the promises and pledges made at the UN summit, globalist leaders described all of it as a mere “down payment” on the global transformation and permanent wealth transfers that will be made to the UN as well as to governments, kleptocrats, and dictatorships misruling poorer countries. “This COP has taken an important step towards justice,” claimed UN Secretary General António Guterres, former leader of the Socialist International, after the deal was announced. “I welcome the decision to establish a loss and damage fund and to operationalize it in the coming period. Clearly this will not be enough, but it is a much-needed political signal to rebuild broken trust.”

While China is exempt, taxpayers in the West, along with international development banks they fund, are expected to fork over

the money. Government representatives from Denmark, Austria, Scotland, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, New Zealand, and other Western nations — many of which are facing potential electricity blackouts this winter amid decimated energy systems resulting from “climate” policies — were among those who publicly committed to hand over their citizens’ money.

Whether the U.S. Congress will provide funding for the scheme remains to be seen. With Republicans having officially retaken control of the House of Representatives during COP27, *The New American* asked countless delegates, activists, and other attendees about what would happen if Americans’ elected representatives refused to write the checks promised by the Biden administration. Most seemed confused or even hostile that somebody was injecting reality into the frenzied bubble that “climate” negotiations have become.

On the last official day of negotiations before the summit went into overtime, *The New American* asked the deputy prime minister of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ève Bazaiba, who was demanding Western money in exchange for preventing Congolese people from using their nation’s resources, what would happen if the

GOP refused to play along. She said her government would have to learn more.

That is almost the same thing John Kerry mumbled through his face mask when asked by *TNA* whether he would be committing U.S. taxpayer money to the scheme. The U.S. government, which had a whole “communications team” at the summit, did not respond to requests for comment.

However, GOP control over federal purse strings will be a reality, and many Republicans reject the entire hypothesis that man’s emissions of the “gas of life” are causing climate change. In fact, Donald Trump, who announced during COP27 that he was running for president, has referred to the hypothesis as a “hoax” to tear down America for the benefit of China. As president, he even withdrew from the Paris Agreement. But with dozens of Republicans in Congress joining the so-called Climate Solutions Caucus, there is a chance that a GOP Congress could provide the funding.

Even without explicit congressional approval, Biden could divert funds into the scheme. In 2009, then-President Barack Obama and other government leaders from “developed” nations promised to funnel \$100 billion per year of their citizens’ money into a “Green Climate Fund,” which is separate from the new “loss and damage” fund. Republican lawmakers, though, refused to cooperate, rendering Obama’s pledges largely meaningless. Still, Obama illegally diverted some money into the scheme, though nothing close to what was promised. The final COP27 agreement calls on governments to continue shoveling money into the kleptocrat-controlled global slush fund.

Even if the \$100 billion were to materialize as the Biden administration undermines the nation’s economy and drives citizens deeper into unpayable and unsustainable debt, that is not enough for leading “climate” experts. “This is the time to truly fill up the Green Climate Fund,” demanded Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research Director Johan Rockström in comments for the World Economic Forum. “\$100 billion is much too little, we know that. We have to move into the trillions to help developing countries to accelerate the pathways towards decarbonizing their economies as well.”

Simply handing over trillions will not be enough, though. Radical controls over humanity are needed as well. “We need to recognize the need for more ‘radical politics’ or ‘radical governance,’” continued Rockström, sounding like WEF boss Klaus Schwab with his increasingly unhinged demands for global tyranny. “We have to see that now is the time to take some big decisions to regulate ourselves away from the damaging processes we have today. It’s a bit too easy for us to talk about consumer behavior and choices and awareness and behavioral change. We need some big system shifts, which requires finance, politics and governance to shift.”

Many activists at the UN summit interviewed by *The New American* agreed. According to Lydinyda Nacpil with the Asian Peoples’ Movement on Debt and Development, which led a major protest inside the UN compound demanding “system change, not climate change,” the world is ending because of the profit motive and capitalism, and so the system must be overturned to prevent planetary destruction. She refused to say what should replace the free market or what nations she thought were doing it right, for obvious reasons.

The UN, tax-funded rent-a-mobs, and

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even senior officials at the European Union — which has now usurped the power to commit Europeans to paying for all of this — wanted the deal to include decimating Western economies by taking a heavier sledgehammer to energy infrastructure. “What we have in front of us is not enough of a step forward for people and planet,” complained EU Executive Vice President Frans Timmermans in a message to UN member governments.

Among other concerns, he said the deal “does not bring enough added efforts from major emitters to increase and accelerate their emissions cuts.” “We have all fallen short in actions to avoid and minimize loss and damage,” the leading EU bureaucrat continued. “We should have done much more.” The demand for a phase out of fossil fuels was a common refrain endlessly parroted by activists,

delegates, and journalists, but will likely have to wait before being included in the formal agreement.

Using the UN’s debunked climate models as a guide, the final deal also reiterated the demand that global temperatures must be kept from rising more than 1.5° Celsius. According to the text, governments recognize that “limiting global warming to 1.5° C requires rapid, deep and sustained reductions in global greenhouse gas emissions of 43 per cent by 2030.”

Scientists not on the payroll have long ridiculed the notion that the UN’s climate models, which cannot even accurately model the past, could determine what a reduction of 43 percent — or any other number — would do to global temperatures. Some critics have even compared the prognostications to King Canute’s famous decree ordering the tide to stop rising, though in the king’s case he did it to show his subjects that his powers were in fact limited.

In practical terms, that element of the agreement is supposed to get governments of developed countries (except Communist China, at least until 2030) to find ways to drastically limit the CO₂ emissions of their subjects. That is generally viewed as including some combination of restricting energy use or production, restricting economic activity, and even limiting population through abortion, contraception, and anti-family indoctrination.

UN boss Guterres ramped up the rhetoric on that front. “Our planet is still in the emergency room,” he claimed, demanding a “Climate Solidarity Pact” to see even more “ambitious” efforts to undermine energy in Western nations. “We need to drastically reduce emissions now — and this is an issue this COP did not address... The red line we must not cross is the line that takes our planet over the 1.5 degree temperature limit.”

To perpetuate the obvious fraud that the UN and governments can control global temperatures by imposing taxes or limit-



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Eco-racket: Demanding Western money in exchange for keeping Congolese people from using their nation’s resources, Deputy Prime Minister Ève Bazaiba said her government would have to “learn more” if newly elected Republicans refused to pay up.

ing energy, the indoctrination and dumbing down of children worldwide will have to be stepped up — another major theme of the summit. UN boss Guterres put it bluntly. “If there was one seed to prevent climate change,” he said, “it was education.” Legions of brainwashed children who spoke to *The New American* echoed those sentiments.

Separately, one of the most powerful education-related institutions in the world, a global federation of teachers’ unions representing over 32 million educators dubbed Education International, was open about the agenda to brainwash children. Speaking to “world leaders” at COP27, Education International General Secretary David Edwards said “teachers stand with students to demand bold action” to slash CO₂ emissions. “Education is a critical part of any effective strategy,” he added, demanding a “civic action focus embedded across the curriculum” in schools worldwide to weaponize children. “Climate action starts in our classrooms.”

Governments and dictators agreed, with the final UN agreement touting “the importance of pursuing an approach to education that promotes a shift in lifestyles.” In addition, the UN deal “recognizes the

role of children and youth as agents of change in addressing and responding to climate change.” Finally, the agreement celebrated the “first youth-led climate forum (the Sharm el-Sheikh youth climate dialogue)” as well as “the first children and youth pavilion at the UN summit.” It also touted the appointment of the “first youth envoy of a Presidency of the Conference of the Parties.”

Even before the final deal was reached, a huge range of initiatives and plans was launched involving the UN, its member governments, and even crony capitalists listed as sponsors of COP27 who will make huge amounts of money from taxpayers. Countless side schemes were announced by governments, nongovernmental organizations, “woke” corporations, and megabanks. Everything from “gender” issues and agriculture to emissions tracking and city planning were covered.

One of the most troubling schemes, perhaps, came from Google, which vowed to help track and trace emissions from everybody, everywhere, forever. Banks also vowed to continue working together to force the UN climate agenda on companies worldwide. And a never-ending parade of representatives of “sub-national”

governments — cities, states, provinces, and so on — made endless promises to impose the UN’s agenda on their victims.

To get a sense of the party-line propaganda being fed to the world, consider the Associated Press article on the final deal, which was printed worldwide, even by Fox News. The opening sentence says it all: “For the first time, the nations of the world decided to help pay for the damage an overheating world is inflicting on poor countries, but they finished marathon climate talks on Sunday without further addressing the root cause of those disasters — the burning of fossil fuels.”

To work out the details of the reparations fund, governments agreed to establish a “transitional committee” that will meet by March. The goal is to have the fund up and running by COP28 next year, which is scheduled to take place in the United Arab Emirates city-state of Dubai. But the work must go on, climate campaigners insisted. They also insisted that there can be no going back, despite the emerging energy, food, and economic crises enveloping the world. The final deal stated that the growing crises must not be used as “a pretext for backtracking, back-sliding, or deprioritizing climate action.”

And progress *will* be monitored by the UN. “The next step for change is just around the corner, with the United Arab Emirates’ stewardship of the First Global Stocktake,” said Simon Stiell, UN climate change executive secretary. “For the very first time we will take stock of the implementation of the Paris Agreement. It will independently evaluate the progress we have made and if our goals are adequate. It will inform what everybody, every single day, everywhere in the world, needs to do, to avert the climate crisis.” Did you catch that? Read it again.

The UN and virtually every power center are moving rapidly and in unison in the direction of shackling the world’s people in ever-tighter chains under the guise of saving the planet from “climate change.” Even a new religious and moral system is being developed to facilitate the transition (see page 6). For liberty and prosperity to survive — and for the world’s poor to have a chance at improving their situation — it is essential that freedom-loving people everywhere get informed and activated. ■



Climate cop: Big Tech leviathan Google, which partners with the UN to promote its propaganda and suppress competing views in search results, announced more troubling schemes on “climate” at the summit, including emissions tracking.

THE UN CLIMATE CIRCUS

A firsthand account of the insane clown show that is the United Nations Climate Conference.



by Alex Newman

SHARM EL SHEIKH, EGYPT — The ridiculous circus music was stuck in my head almost from the moment I landed in Egypt, and it only got louder as the absurdity of it all reached unfathomable heights. You know the tune. If you had been there, you would understand why I couldn't get that outrageous melody off my mind. Everything was beyond ridiculous — it was surreal, starting from the moment I ran into the first COP27 officials who greeted the *TNA* team as we got off the plane.

The chaos began right away. After waiting for almost an hour for my bag at the Cairo airport, an Egyptian who spoke almost no English informed me that it had

been left in Paris. “Can you forward it to Sharm El Sheikh for me?” I asked. “No,” sighed the uninterested attendant. “Why not?” I demanded. “The government said so. You can change your flight to Sharm El Sheikh and get it tomorrow night.” Cue “Under the Big Top.”

This set the tone for the rest of the trip — nothing worked, nobody was willing to do the job they were paid to do, and the scam artistry was unlike anything I've seen in any of the more than 75 countries I've been to. We were on endless loop for everything. And *everybody* wanted and expected a tip for doing nothing.

Getting to the UN conference in Sharm El Sheikh, a Red Sea resort town, did not help matters much, even though the whole city is walled off to create a sort of tourist

utopia where only certain Egyptians with government permits are allowed to enter. In fact, we had great difficulty just trying to park, with each official sending us in a different direction until we finally gave up and took a taxi.

Once inside, the apocalyptic and apoplectic hysteria were worse than anything I've ever experienced in well over a decade of attending these bizarre UN summits. In a period of just a few years, the official line went from “climate change,” to “climate crisis,” to “climate emergency,” to the latest buzz term: “climate hell.” UN Secretary-General António Guterres, Joe Biden, and countless other world leaders lectured humanity about the “climate hell” that awaits.

“COP27 took place not far from Mount Sinai, a site that is central to many faiths and to the story of Moses, or Musa,” claimed Guterres, an actual socialist who has dedicated his life to stealing and redistributing other people's money. “Climate chaos is a crisis of biblical proportions. The signs are everywhere. Instead of a burning bush, we face a burning planet.”

“Unlike the stories from the Sinai Peninsula, we cannot wait for a miracle from a mountaintop,” Guterres continued, as if he were some sort of prophet delivering a message from the secular climate gods. “It will take each and every one of us fighting in the trenches each and every day. Together, let's not relent in the fight for climate justice and climate ambition.”

Religion was a huge theme of the summit. I was able to score a nearly 40-minute exclusive interview with the ringleaders of the new “Ten Commandments” movement, who told me they were working on the “Third Covenant” so humanity could build “Heaven on Earth.” Yes, really — see page 6.

A Day in the Cheerleaders' Section

Walking into the media area of the conference on our first day, I started looking for documents and papers to add to my folder — exhibits of the madness. The first one I found was headlined “Why Gender is Key to the Green Transition.” The document, apparently created by some African leaders funded by feminist Scandinavian governments, never did explain how gender and climate are related, except to claim

that more female voices and leaders were needed. It was not immediately clear if the author of the flyer had a biology degree. Evidently the writer had not received the memo explaining that the male-female “binary” was the product of racist Western imperialistic patriarchal oppression.

In any case, the gender idiocy made it into the final agreement, as governments promised to “ensure gender-responsive implementation,” whatever that means. The UN agreement also called on governments to “provide support to developing countries for undertaking gender-related action and implementing the gender action plan.”

The next paper I picked up was a press release by Climate Action Against Disinformation, which describes itself as “a global coalition of over 50 leading climate and anti-disinformation organisations demanding robust, coordinated and proactive strategies to deal with the scale of the threat of climate misinformation and disinformation.” Why this particular program was needed now that the UN has already announced its partnership with Google to promote UN propaganda and suppress dissent by rigging its search results was not explained, either.

After picking up the papers for my file, we saw a group of UN and Big Government cheerleaders — they prefer to be called “journalists” — congregating around a grumpy, disheveled man who was huffing and puffing about something. As we approached, we found out it was David Waskow, director of World Resource Institute’s International Climate

Initiative. When we asked him some questions about “loss and damage” and how much money Western taxpayers should pay, he got even grumpier.

“Loss and damage is not about compensation or reparations,” he fumed. “It’s about addressing climate impacts in vulnerable countries that are the result of greenhouse gas emissions that can’t be adapted to.” Waskow never did give me a number. But before I could point that out, a cheerleader employed by the BBC looked at me and said, “this is all non-attributable.”

Even after all these years of watching the pathetic journalists conspiring with the activists and governments, I was still flabbergasted. “Are you with the press or are you with him?” I asked the BBC propagandist. He responded, “I’m just trying to help.” He quickly turned to another cheerleader and whispered in her ear, “Who are these guys?” Once they realized we were not on their “team,” but had real questions, we walked away to avoid trouble.

This was not unusual. In fact, at previous UN summits, I’ve sat amazed many times as hundreds or even thousands of journalists applauded, cheered, and even gave standing ovations to government officials — sometimes representing ruthless regimes — who came out with announcements of progress on saving the world from “climate change.”

“Nongovernmental” Organizations

It’s a neat trick they play. Governments take money from taxpayers and give the

money to nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and propaganda media organs, such as the BBC in the U.K. or NPR in America, that exist to indoctrinate the public. Then the tax-funded NGOs demand whatever the politicians and their masters want — redistribute middle-class wealth, shut down energy production, regulate every aspect of life, and so on — but in extremist terms that sound outlandish. Then, the media report on the demands as if the “people of the world” are demanding something. Finally, politicians say, “well, if civil society is demanding those things, I guess we have no choice but to obey and do what they are asking, but we’ll be more reasonable and compromise.”

Everybody knows their role in this tax-funded charade, too. Like trained seals, legions of NGO activists roam the premises screeching that the politicians who fund them are not doing enough to “save the world,” making the politicians seem slightly less insane by comparison. The activists also spout the same drivel to cheerleading journalists from around the world, who then polish and dutifully regurgitate without question the seals’ unhinged barking about “more needs to be done but it is good that progress is being made.”

Sometimes, climate activists in various niches begin eating their own. One morning, we arrived at the front entrance of the

Climate craziness: Women in veggie costumes promoting veganism, giraffes made of trash, signs demanding free money, and tire trees were just some of the absurdities that abounded at COP27.



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summit to find a girl in a veggie costume posing for photos as a PETA activist handed out flyers explaining how horrible meat was for, well, everything. Suddenly a self-proclaimed “indigenous activist” popped up and started hollering. “Shaming people like me for eating meat is a continuation of colonization!” screamed the Canadian woman at the PETA operative.

Climate activists also were upset that the UN hired a PR firm for COP27 with a long history of shilling for Big Oil interests including Saudi Aramco, ExxonMobil, and the “Oil and Gas Climate Initiative” representing the world’s largest oil and gas firms.

Ending fossil fuels was one of the major rallying cries. Despite admitting that she flew in, Tzaporah Berman with the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Initiative insisted that the world needs to stop all hydrocarbon energy use. Like virtually everyone else at the summit, though, when asked about Communist China’s enormous CO₂ output and rapid coal-fired power-plant building binge, she clearly got nervous. “They’re building more solar panels than any other country,” she said sheepishly — without noting that most of those were being sold to dumb Westerners subsidized by their own tax money — before promptly getting back on script.

Asad Rehman, a Pakistani living in the United Kingdom who told me he was organizing the “climate justice” protests, also demanded the theft of wealthy people’s money and an end to hydrocarbon energy. A lawyer from Bangladesh, meanwhile, demanded that the West “acknowledge responsibility” for causing the “climate crisis” and pay up.

Hearing a lot of shouting, we headed for the noise and met a lady in a wheelchair leading a “system change, not climate change” protest. She made clear that the only way to save Mother Earth is to smash capitalism and the profit motive. But like so many others, she would not say what we should replace it with or what nations she believed should be regarded as a model. Communist China, perhaps? Nazi Germany? Cuba?

The only semi-sane person I met at the whole summit was American rancher Hunter Lovins, who, despite embracing the man-made warming hypothesis, rejected the socialism and UN posturing.

From blasting Bill Gates and ridiculing the idea that the UN would save the world to embracing agriculture and capitalism, Lovins seemed out of place and was clearly not drinking her full dose of deadly Kool-Aid.

Brainwashed Children: Future Puppet Leaders

Perhaps the single most frightening thing about the summit was talking to the scores of brainwashed zombies in children’s bodies, trained by brainwashed government teachers and media to regurgitate UN talking points and demand restrictions on their freedom. When asked about the science, every single one was completely clueless. But they were all trained well by their handlers. “I’m not a scientist, but I trust the science,” they all repeated on cue. Cue the crazy circus music again, only faster.

Early on, we went over to the “Children and Youth Pavilion” to see what was going on. “Take me to your leader,” I asked some of the children, letting them know I was with American media. Because I was American, they brought me an American girl from Texas who was so appallingly ignorant I could barely contain myself, even as she demanded all sorts of madness, including UN “education” for children

in American schools to teach them about “climate change.” She did not even know who had paid for her ticket to Egypt!

Hours later, one of the European men organizing the “children and youth” festivities tracked us down with a Sudanese girl in tow. The UN “youth” movement wanted to highlight their “diversity,” and so this German asked if we would be willing to interview the bewildered and confused student they had flown in from Sudan. “Sure,” I said. As we talked to the poor girl, it became obvious that she had been trained to repeat a few talking points but knew very little beyond them. Clearly, she was being used and exploited by the climate cult.

Interestingly, climate superstar Greta Thunberg, the autistic Swedish girl long exploited by the UN and climate movement, was thrown off the crazy train for dismissing the COP27 as a farce for “people in power” to continue “greenwashing, lying, and cheating.” And so the UN found a new Greta, an Iranian egomaniac named Sophia Kianni notorious mostly for posing in skimpy clothing for endless social-media selfies. She even got appointed to socialist UN boss Guterres’ “Youth Advisory Group on Climate Change.”

The absurdity of the demands made by

Greta 2.0: After Greta was thrown off the crazy train for calling out the lies and corruption of the UN climate show, a new poster child for the movement, Sophia Kianni, was selected to play the part.



mostly tax-funded “youth activists” for “climate justice” were almost too much to bear. One self-proclaimed “youth activist” I interviewed demanded that the UN International Court of Justice issue a ruling on “climate justice” to direct national governments to do his bidding because — human rights! And poor people! Another weirdo holding a clock counting down was wearing sunglasses and standing perfectly still. He refused to give his name, but claimed there would be no beer or chocolate if governments did not immediately do what he said.

Debbie Bacigalupi, a member of our team and a cattle rancher, got into a heated discussion with one of these morally superior beings, a bratty kid demanding that the world go vegan immediately. As Debbie explained to him, critical goods he uses all the time are made from animal byproducts — including the wall he was leaning against and the clothes he was wearing. The kid stormed off, almost ready to cry.

Governments Destroying Everything to Save “Climate”

It wasn’t just vegans, indoctrinated children, or anti-oil fanatics. There were also plenty of welfare queens with their hands out demanding big bucks. Writing for the far-left *Washington Post*, Amazon billionaire Jeff Bezos’ personal propaganda megaphone, the president of Nigeria insisted that the Western world hand over endless amounts of cash and apologize for the supposed fact that “Western development has unleashed climate catastrophe on my continent.” Ironically, just three in 10 Nigerians have even heard of “climate change,” according to Afrobarometer, which tracks views and attitudes of Africans. More UN “education” should do the trick!

Like professional wrestling, the half-baked drama at these events was carefully orchestrated and stage-managed, with “climate dignitaries” spending endless hours haggling over whether the temperature will be allowed to increase by 1.5 degrees, or more, or perhaps less. If only there were more Ambition™. With egos the size of the Great Pyramids, no doubt some of them even believed they could decree what shall happen to global temperatures. Talk about a god complex!



Brainwashed: The “Children and Youth” pavilion at COP27 was probably the scariest part of the whole UN summit, as it showed how indoctrinated young people are becoming.

The silly cheerleaders pretending to be journalists breathlessly report on all this, relying on “confidential sources” to build up more hype.

Every year since 2015, the legions of dignitaries have re-debated this silly 1.5-degree thing that they keep re-debating and then re-enshrining in agreements. Thousands of activists run around frantically with their hair on fire wondering whether their 1.5-degree language will be preserved, believing the pseudo-scientific “climate models” pretending to tell them what will happen to global temperatures based on adjustments to human CO₂ emissions (which make up a fraction of one percent of all “greenhouse gases” in the atmosphere). The drama increases when they trot out islanders and people wearing feathered headdresses pleading with the world not to let them drown.

The political clowns provide plenty of fodder. “We had to fight relentlessly to hold the line of Glasgow,” huffed Alok Sharma, chief of the COP26 Glasgow climate summit in 2021, amid the COP27 theater. “Emissions peaking before 2025 as the science tells us is necessary? Not in this text. Clear follow-through on the phase down of coal? Not in this text. A clear commitment to phase out all fossil fuels? Not in this text.” Well, there’s al-

ways next year! Fire up the jets and get the caviar and champagne ready — the world needs saving, again!

Joe Biden started off his time at COP27 with an apology for President Donald Trump’s decision to leave the Paris Agreement, which mandates economic suicide by America for the benefit of Communist China. But Biden got plenty of brownie points. “We immediately rejoined the Paris agreement,” the White House resident told the fawning attendees in remarks that received very little press coverage in America.

Nobody in government at the summit was willing to discuss Trump’s views or his recent announcement of his run for president — at least not on record. The GOP took control of the House during the summit, but again, nobody wanted to talk about it. It’s like a bubble, and nobody wants to even remember that reality still exists outside.

Suffice it to say, Trump and Republicans are Climate Enemy #1 to the Kool-Aid-drinking climate saviors, with Brazil’s Jair Bolsonaro — another roadblock to global “climate” tyranny — in second place. When convicted communist criminal Luiz Inácio “Lula” da Silva arrived shortly after having stolen the Brazilian presidential election in a brazen 2020-style

fraud that sent millions into the streets in protest, the cheerleaders at COP27 went absolutely wild.

Walking over to the U.S. booth to ask for an interview, every member I saw of the U.S. delegation, which was enormous, was wearing a face diaper, some with a fancy little State Department logo. I kind of felt bad for them, even though I knew they were all dutifully following orders that were aimed at destroying my freedom and my country. But I comforted myself with the thought that most of them were probably so brainwashed they still believed breathing in their own CO₂ “pollution” was not just safe, but super healthy and morally superior.

At least until he tested positive for Covid, White House “climate czar” John Kerry was running around the conference like a Santa Claus on crystal meth throwing around pledges of endless American taxpayer money for everyone and everything. I actually ran into Kerry and his entourage in the main square of the UN climate village late at night, long after almost everybody had gone home, and tried to ask him a few questions.

“Mr. Kerry, as you know, Donald Trump just announced he was running for presi-

dent. He has called climate change a hoax. Does his announcement change the negotiations at all?” “Brubrubrubrubu,” Kerry mumbled from under his mask. “Excuse me?” I responded. “I’m just focused on what’s going on here,” it sounded like Kerry said, a bit more loudly and clearly this time, as he hustled away surrounded by his big circle of security goons.

I wanted to ask him whether taxpayers paid for him to fly to Egypt on a private jet, and how much of our money he spent on his outrageously luxurious hotel (over \$5,000 per night per room, according to the concierge at another uber-elite resort where climate dignitaries were feasting). But before I could ask, he was off, and his goons looked like they might start getting rough if I kept pursuing them.

In any case, Kerry has attended past climate conferences on a private jet. He even went to pick up the Arctic Circle Prize 2019 in Iceland on a private jet, defending the move by saying it was “the only choice for somebody like me.”

Banks and Local Governments, Too

As our team walked through the endless rows of booths and pavilions paid for by

taxpayers that probably consumed several forests worth of trees, we stumbled upon a panel discussion hosted by the Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net Zero (GFANZ). This dubious network of banks and institutional investors, organized by the UN to impose its will on the global economy, is committed to forcing companies worldwide to submit to the UN anti-CO₂ agenda. U.S. members of the alliance are now being investigated for colluding with the UN and violating their fiduciary duties to clients, among other issues.

Not long after the panel started taking questions from the audience, I raised my hand and received the microphone. I had spoken to several state attorneys general about their ongoing investigations into this megabank collusion with the UN and wanted to ask about it. But the host of the event, somebody from a consulting giant, looked at me and panicked, frantically summoning the girl who was walking the microphone around. The girl came over to me and said “sorry, no journalists allowed.”

Undeterred, when one of the prominent panelists sat down, I leaned over and whispered in his ear that I had written some articles about the state investigations into this climate scheming and wanted his thoughts on it. He said he had read my articles but did not believe the banks were doing anything wrong by working together to starve energy and agriculture in the West of desperately needed investment and credit. Easy to say when you’re not the one being squashed!

At another pavilion, the U.S. Conference of Mayors and ICLEI, the NGO working to ensnare local governments in the UN’s scheming, was having a big event led by ICLEI President and Des Moines Mayor Frank Cownie. His message was that this is “science,” not “politics,” and therefore everyone must comply. “It’s sort of like the pandemic,” he said. “The science was very clear, because we knew so little about it.” Maestro, music please!

The panel was crazy 2.0 and the crazy melody was reaching deafening levels.

Oakland, California, Mayor Libby Schaaf offered a perfect illustration of the absurdity of it all. “We need to switch out our gas stoves with induction ovens ... or is it conduction? Did I get it right?” she wondered, looking around for somebody



Big shot: Biden “climate czar” John Kerry was running around the summit with his underlings pledging endless American money, but he didn’t have much time to talk to us.

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to save her. These tax-funded maniacs are talking about destroying the systems that make life possible, and they have no idea what to replace it with, if anything.

Mayor Elizabeth Kautz of Burnsville, Minnesota, said that all businesses must start tracking their emissions. It sounded like a fantastic way to bankrupt every mom-and-pop shop still standing so Walmart could come in and crush the remaining independent folks.

Austin, Texas, Mayor Steve Adler, a flaming “progressive,” claimed “equity” and “climate” were “so intertwined that they can’t be separated.” “There’s nothing you do on climate that doesn’t impact on justice and the orderly movement to save the world,” he said, sounding like a communist central planner while touting his “climate and equity plan” for this and that by 2040 and 2050.

The Locals: Good, Bad & Ugly

Having grown up in the Third World and lived in Africa, I’m used to chaos and disorder. But nothing prepared me for Egypt, where nothing works and scam artistry is off the charts. It made the most down-trodden parts of Latin America seem orderly. Worse was trying to deal with

“security” — a sector it seems like every other Egyptian man works in, constantly demanding to see your papers, touch your legs, and more.

The idea of an endless loop of circus music crystalized while at the airport to fly from Cairo to Sharm El Sheikh as I tried to get my suitcase back. Entering the terminal was like a ridiculous comedy movie. “Go to door number 1,” the officer would say. I’d go to 1, and the guy there would say, “No, door 2.” “I just came from there!” I complained. “Then go to door 3.” I’d go to door 3, and he would send me back to door 1. This went on and on until I finally gave up, exasperated.

Despite the absurdity, though, we also met wonderful Egyptians. With my bag lost, we visited a store in a ramshackle area of town where locals live, to get some computer gear. The man inside had a portrait that looked like how Jesus is frequently represented, so I asked if he was Christian. “Yes,” he said, beaming. He saw me smile, too.

I grabbed what I needed — a mouse and two cables — and started calculating how much I owed. “It is free,” he said. “Absolutely not,” I responded, still trying to add up the price tags.

Finally, he typed on his computer and an electronic voice said, in robotic English, “I want to give you this gift; please accept it free.” I continued to insist, but finally, Debbie said, “Alex, he really wants to. Let him do it.” So I did, but asked if we could please pray for him. We prayed together. As the *TNA* team and I walked outside, we couldn’t believe it. I almost cried. How generous! He knew we were Americans. We were well-dressed. He must have known we had plenty of money. And yet, this man with so little chose to give us a gift. God bless him.

Final Thoughts

Virtually all of the people inside COP27 make their living based on the existence of a climate crisis, so talking to them is less interesting than talking to normal people. At every event I attend, I always make it a point to talk to waiters, taxi drivers, hotel keepers, and so on. One of our Uber drivers in Cairo as we prepared to leave Egypt was fascinating. “What do you think about the UN climate summit?” I asked him. He responded, “Egyptians don’t care about climate. This was just an opportunity to get money.” The normal people get it. Those whose salaries depend on the fraud don’t.

As usual, the hypocrisy was as ubiquitous as it was nauseating. Hundreds of private jets carrying self-important celebrities with monster egos surpassed only by their gargantuan carbon footprints landed throughout the two-week event to lecture us lesser climate sinners. Attendees, including the useful idiots, were feasting on all the foods that the climate cult is demanding people stop consuming — meat, fish, chicken. Meanwhile, countless industrial-sized AC units slurped down electricity produced by hydrocarbon energy faster than Third World kleptocrats consume the wealth being funneled their way by increasingly autocratic Western governments.

Maybe a circus is not the right analogy. Come to think of it, it felt a bit like being the only sane person in an insane asylum filled with lunatics being driven into a frenzy by their evil, more-insane overseers. God help us all! ■

Editors’ note: Video of the interviews mentioned here can be found at <https://thenewamerican.com/tag/cop27>.



In the belly of the beast: *The New American* team poses in the UN “Green Zone.” From left to right: Debbie Bacigalupi, Alex Newman, Alex Leon, and Annika Leon.

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FALSE PREDICTIONS ON CATASTROPHIC CLIMATE CHANGE



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GLOBAL COOLING

“The central fact is that after three quarters of a century of extraordinarily mild conditions, the earth’s climate seems to be cooling down. Meteorologists disagree about the cause and extent of the cooling trend, as well as over its specific impact on local weather conditions. But they are almost unanimous in the view that the trend will reduce agricultural productivity for the rest of the century. If the climatic change is as profound as some of the pessimists fear, the resulting famines could be catastrophic.”

— *Newsweek*, “The Cooling World,”
April 28, 1975

“Most scientists agree that today’s ice movement may reflect a worldwide cooling trend, but their explanations vary widely.”

— *National Geographic*,
“What’s Happening to Our Climate,”
November 1976

“During the last 20 to 30 years, world temperature has fallen, irregularly at first but more sharply over the last decade.”

— U.S. National Science Board, 1974,
as quoted in *National Geographic*,
“What’s Happening to Our Climate,”
November 1976

“Climatologists now blame those recurring droughts and floods on a global cooling trend. It could bring massive tragedies for mankind.”

— *Fortune*, “Ominous Changes in the World’s
Weather,”
February 1974

GLOBAL WARMING

“A senior U.N. environmental official says entire nations could be wiped off the face of the Earth by rising sea levels *if the global warming trend is not reversed by the year 2000.* [Emphasis added.]

Coastal flooding and crop failures would create an exodus of ‘eco-refugees,’ threatening political chaos, said Noel Brown, director of the New York office of the U.N. Environment Program, or UNEP.

He said governments have a 10-year window of opportunity to solve the greenhouse effect before it goes beyond human control.

As the warming melts polar icecaps, ocean levels

will rise by up to three feet, enough to cover the Maldives and other flat island nations, Brown told The Associated Press in an interview on Wednesday.

Coastal regions will be inundated; one-sixth of Bangladesh could be flooded, displacing a fourth of its 90 million people. A fifth of Egypt's arable land in the Nile Delta would be flooded, cutting off its food supply, according to a joint UNEP and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency study."

— Associated Press, "U.N. Predicts Disaster if Global Warming Not Checked," June 29, 1989

Considering that the "window of opportunity" for reversing global warming closed by the year 2000 — more than two decades ago — according to this UN-sourced story, the UN's dire predictions of climate catastrophe were inaccurate, to say the least.

"Britain's winter ends tomorrow [March 21, 2000] with further indications of a striking environmental change: snow is starting to disappear from our lives.

Sledges, snowmen, snowballs and the excitement of waking to find that the stuff has settled outside are all a rapidly diminishing part of Britain's culture, as warmer winters — which scientists are attributing to global climate change — produce not only fewer white Christmases, but fewer white Januaries and Februaries....

According to Dr. David Viner, a senior research scientist at the climatic research unit (CRU) of the University of East Anglia, within a few years winter snowfall will become 'a very rare and exciting event.'

'Children just aren't going to know what snow is,' he said."

— *The Independent* (British newspaper), "Snowfalls Are Now Just a Thing of the Past," March 20, 2000

Of course, despite the title, which suggested that snowfalls would be a "thing of the past" as early as two decades ago, Britain has continued to experience snowfalls.

"Scientists in the US have presented one of the most dramatic forecasts yet for the disappearance of Arctic sea ice.

Their latest modelling studies indicate northern polar waters could be ice-free in summers within just 5-6 years."

— BBC, "Arctic Summers Ice-Free 'by 2013,'" December 12, 2007

"The small alpine glaciers present today started forming about 7,000 years ago and reached their maximum in size and number around 1850, at the end of the Little Ice Age. They are now rapidly shrinking due to human-caused climate change. Computer models indicate the glaciers will all be gone by the year 2020."

— Former sign at the St. Mary Visitor Center at Glacier National Park

CNN reported on January 8, 2020, that "in 2017, the park was told by the [U.S. Geological Survey] that the complete melting off of the glaciers was no longer expected to take place so quickly due to changes in the forecast model." However, "tight maintenance budgets made it impossible for the park to immediately change the signs," though "the most prominent placards, at St. Mary Visitor Center, were changed last year." ■



Al Gore

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"Last September 21 [2007], as the Northern Hemisphere tilted away from the sun, scientists reported with unprecedented distress that the North Polar ice cap is 'falling off a cliff.' One study estimated that it could be completely gone during summer in less than 22 years. Another new study, to be presented by U.S. Navy researchers later this week, warns it could happen in as little as 7 years."

— Al Gore, Nobel Peace Prize acceptance speech, Oslo, December 10, 2007

The Gore-referenced study warning that the Arctic ice cap could disappear in the summer in as "little as 7 years" meant as soon as 2014. Then, on December 13 of the following year, Gore warned in a speech in Germany, "The entire North polar ice cap may well be completely gone in five years" — that is, 2013. Worse for him, analysis of satellite data in 2019 by the Committee for a Constructive Tomorrow (CFACT) showed that "the average annual coverage of sea ice has been essentially the same since satellite observations began in 1981."



Covid, Climate, and Chains: Using Crises for Control

by William P. Hoar

The Great Reset: Global Elites and the Permanent Lockdown, by Marc Morano, Washington, D.C.: Regnery Publishing, 2022, 448 pages, hardcover.

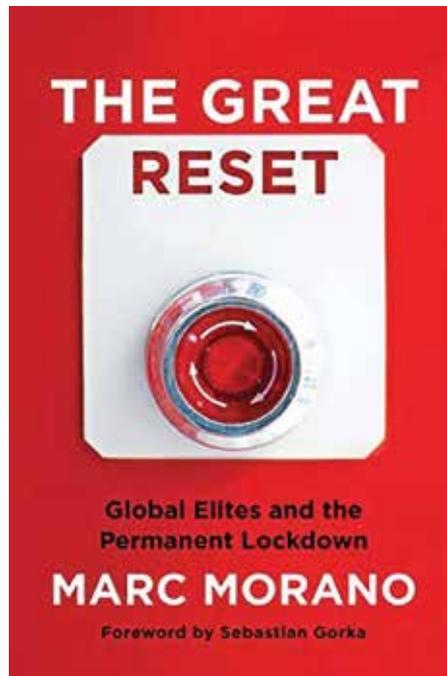
Opportunities — sometimes labeled as crises or emergencies — have an uncanny habit: They tend to favor those who have spent years preparing for them. At the same time, major emergencies usually lead to the expansion of state power.

Accordingly, those who relish centralized government, especially when they expect to be calling the shots, savor such crises, even if they don't always admit that or disguise their underlying motives.

More power for them: That is the goal.

The book under review does an exceptional job in ripping off the masks of many of the major players — though that effort is made a bit easier these days when

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the actors so often say out loud what they are thinking. In some cases, our wannabe masters are arrogant enough to write down their aspirations.

ClimateDepot.com publisher Marc Morano, author of *The Great Reset: Global Elites and the Permanent Lockdown*, has amassed mountains of material about those who maintain, among other claims, that they “own the science.” Morano has been doing this for some time, also authoring *The Politically Incorrect Guide to Climate Change* and *Green Fraud: Why the Green New Deal Is Even Worse Than You Think*.

The “Great Reset” dystopian nightmare, which has been a frequent subject in the pages of this magazine, envisions eventual rule by technocrats. Morano’s book shows how the responses to climate change — and Covid-19 in particular — play into their manipulations.

Powerful Push for More Restrictions

A major advocate of the Great Reset is Klaus Schwab, founding chairman of the World Economic Forum (WEF) — with the WEF being one of the most visible proponents of the planned revolution. He’s not reticent about what he wants, even if he occasionally plays down the implications. “The pandemic represents a rare but narrow window of opportunity to reflect, reimagine, and reset our world,” according to Schwab. “Every country,” as the WEF leader put it in 2020, “from the United States to China, must participate, and every industry, from oil to gas to tech, must be transformed. In short, we need a ‘Great Reset’ of capitalism.”

That is one of the open admissions cited by Morano, whose volume is awash with citations, specifics, and dates, well suited as a trove for research papers. (A number of the critical sources cited had their Twitter accounts deleted, but their tweets remain available on the Internet Archive’s Wayback Machine.) There are, in fact, so many references that the book features additional related panels throughout. These also serve as breaks from the main text.

A book’s functionality is, of course, af-

fectured by its content and layout. Each text box has its own headline and usually a footnote. There are multitudes of breaks and subheads in the main body, with plenty of white space. As a result, the package plays well for quick comprehension at a time when too many readers, shaped by the digital world, seem to have the attention span of a goldfish.

Back to the meat of the theme. Here's another quoted admission from Schwab, who co-authored *COVID-19: The Great Reset* (published in 2020): "One of the great lessons of the past five centuries in Europe and America is this: acute crises contribute to boosting the power of the state. It's always been the case and there is no reason why it should be different with the COVID-9 pandemic."

Ideological foundations, key "philanthropists," and the United Nations are also involved, as are select national and international leaders — the usual suspects when it comes to imposing a brave new world on the hoi polloi. Here, for instance, is Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau at a 2020 UN conference, preaching (as quoted by Morano): "The pandemic has provided an opportunity to accelerate our pre-pandemic efforts to imagine economic systems that actually address global challenges like poverty, inequality, and climate change."

Prince Charles (now Charles III, king of the U.K.) has been singing these tunes for a long time. As he pontificated at the (virtual) opening meeting of the WEF in 2020, "The recovery from the coronavirus crisis represents an opportunity to reset the global economy and prioritize sustainable development without further damaging the planet."

And the word was similarly passed to President Biden, or his handlers and speechwriters, using an earlier term for the global plan. This is from the president's comments to the Business Roundtable in March 2022: "We're at an inflection point, I believe, in the world economy, not just the world economy, the world, that occurs every three to four generations." As Biden said, "Now is the time when things

are shifting and there's going to be a New World Order out there."

Although Biden, making unscripted comments, did say not long ago that the "pandemic is over," the extension of the public-health emergency has continued — as it has been renewed every 90 days since January 2020. That makes it more expedient for imposing federal policies.

WHO Promotes Beijing's Policies

The scope and extent of global planning — under various names, such as the Great Reset, New World Order, and the UN's Agenda 21 (updated to Agenda 2030) — is vast. Morano notes, for instance, that Schwab has even bragged about how the World Economic Forum has "penetrated" governments worldwide. It's not empty boasting.

Morano also cites *The New American's* William F. Jasper and his remarking how the Great Reset "is the latest and greatest pet of the World Economic Forum, the United Nations, the Council on Foreign Relations, and the Royal Institute [of] International Affairs." Some of the planning takes place when Deep State elitists,

communist dictators, and others meet, for example, in Davos, Switzerland. It is obvious, notes Jasper, from the "hundreds of pages dedicated to The Great Reset on the WEF website, and its many conferences, webinars, studies, and reports on this project, that it didn't begin with the Wuhan outbreak" in Communist China.

The general public does not see the interconnections and back-channel dealings. Consider the relations between the World Health Organization, billionaire Bill Gates, and the dictatorship in Beijing. Morano goes into considerable detail over Gates' activities and concludes, rather dramatically, that Gates "rules media, academia, government officials around the world, and the WHO." Examine the facts and see if you don't agree.

The Communist Chinese harsh lockdown of Wuhan and subsequent actions nationwide got glowing reviews by the WHO. That shouldn't have been a shock, since — as Morano describes in his book — the director-general of WHO, Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus of Ethiopia, "owes his position to Communist China" and has repeatedly praised "his Chinese paymasters." Among other flattering remarks, Tedros gushed, "As I have said repeatedly since my return from Beijing, the Chinese government is to be congratulated for its extraordinary measures it has taken to contain the outbreak, despite the severe social and economic impact those measures are having on the Chinese people." In many ways, according to Tedros, "China is actually setting a new standard for outbreak response. It's not an exaggeration."

On his website and in his book, Morano doesn't mince words when describing the actions of Gates and WHO — calling the organization a "Bill Gates tool" and "vehicle for Chinese propaganda." WHO is, he says, "seeking to grab pandemic powers modeled after the U.N. climate process." Should that be a surprise? As Morano put it at Climate Depot, "The World Health Organization's second-largest donor, behind the United States government, is (drumroll, please) ... the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation."



Marc Morano

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Someone, apparently, has been oiling the hinges on the doors of opportunity.

The Role of Woke Climate Policies

Climate activism has been pushing the (very willing) federal government into more intervention in the U.S. economy and society at large. The author examines this aspect of the “climate” fixation that has possessed much of the Left — who agonize over carbon “emissions” while blighting the financial atmosphere. It’s not just a harmless fad when environmental, social, and governance “stakeholder capitalism” threatens to become the basis of (in Morano’s phrase) “the financial New World Order.”

This threat has been the concern of, among others, Vivek Ramaswamy, an American entrepreneur who founded an asset-management company and a biopharmaceutical company, and is the author of *Woke, Inc.: Inside Corporate America’s Social Justice Scam*. Morano cites Ramaswamy’s analysis in his book as well as on his website (the book isn’t shy about quoting that site). In *The Great Reset*, Ramaswamy is cited as he dissects, for instance, the alphabet craze that seems to be foremost for many in the financial world. While successful businesses used to concentrate on making profits for their investors, too many today stress environmental,

social, and corporate governance (ESG); diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI); and corporate social responsibility (CSR).

This is “not the free market in action,” says Ramaswamy. “It’s even worse than a monopoly or an ideological cartel.” Such asset managers, he declares, are “working hand in glove with the party in power to be able to do their bidding through the private sector.” President Biden’s “climate czar” John Kerry has been getting “every major CEO to sign the so-called climate pledge,” he observes, referring to this as a “form of crony capitalism.”

This does not apply to companies in China. In the United States, continues Ramaswamy, “they preach ESG. In China, they supplicate to the CCP” (Chinese Communist Party). It is, concludes Ramaswamy, “the defining scam of our time.”

Lure of Lockdowns

It might have resulted in a better balance to have more such climate-related analyses in *The Great Reset*. Still, Morano has written entire books concentrating on that aspect, and his website remains an ongoing valuable source. Meanwhile, two chapters (of the 13) in this volume do focus on that general subject — entitled “The COVID-Climate-Reset Connection” and “COVID Lockdowns Morph to Climate Lockdowns.”

Leading player Klaus Schwab again has a major role here. Indeed, Schwab said during a WEF livestream on “COVID-19: The Great Reset” that “the next crisis is already waiting for us around the corner, and it is the climate crisis.”

Perpetual lockdowns do also seem to have an appeal to climate activists. Such activists, comments the author,

want the public to get used to the travel restrictions, to get used to the quarantines, and to get used to the limits on their personal freedom — all of which will come in handy as lower emissions are mandated to “solve” the “climate emergency.”

Cited is Mark Mazur, a former U.S. Treasury official from the Obama administration, who made the following comments

in the lead-up to the Russian invasion of Ukraine. “We don’t want lower prices for fossil-fuel buyers, we prefer higher prices” to achieve “climate change goals,” Mazur explained.

High energy prices are *not* the unintended consequences of Great Reset and Green New Deal-style policies; they are the *intended* consequence. [Emphasis in original.]

The idea is simple, if diabolical: The more distress for Americans, or those in other countries, the more likely they are to accept stringent government “solutions.” The Great Reset has publicized what is coming. It has even been touted in the nation’s supposed “newspaper of record.” Here’s one of the snappy points emphasized in a text box in the volume, with the headline “To Overhaul American Capitalism.” *The New York Times*, we read, “let slip the truth about the Biden administration’s new ‘infrastructure’ bill in 2021, calling it ‘the first step in a two-part agenda to overhaul American capitalism, fight climate change.’”

So, we shouldn’t be astonished that Biden once again has extended the coronavirus “emergency.” On the other hand, he has apparently been a little too slow for many progressive environmentalists, who wanted him to declare a national environmental emergency in 2020 when he was still president-elect. Maybe another day. ■



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Role model: The Chinese Communist Party imposed some of the world’s strictest Covid lockdowns on its citizens. Globalists saw such actions as an example for the world to follow to curb future pandemics and help save the environment.

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The 1992 Rio Earth Summit propelled UN initiatives on global warming, biodiversity, and Agenda 21 into the threats they now pose to freedom worldwide.



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Creator rejected: Christ the Redeemer towers over Rio de Janeiro, but the 1992 UN Earth Summit in Rio rejected Him for a hodgepodge of New Age pantheism and pagan aboriginal religions worshipping Gaia and the "Sacred Earth."

by William F. Jasper

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Environmental militants are moaning that the Earth Summit was sabotaged by President [George H.W.] Bush's election-year politicking and a sellout to U.S. industrial interests. Republican stalwarts, meanwhile, are painting the results of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) as a victory for the United States and for Mr. Bush, who stood firm for American economic interests against hostile world opinion.

The significance of the summit, hailed as history's largest gathering of world leaders, will not become known for months, perhaps years. No one has yet had a chance to read, let alone digest, all the

fine print in the voluminous agreements and documents hammered out during the two fractious weeks of negotiations in Rio de Janeiro. One thing is certain: They will be sources of much future argument, negotiation, lobbying, and legislation. As Maurice Strong, executive secretary of the conference, said, "This is a launching pad, not a quick fix." Without any doubt, more than a few of the summit's "accomplishments" will be around to haunt, harass, and increasingly trouble us in the years ahead, including:

- Agenda 21, the 800-page blueprint for governmental action on everything from forests, deserts, oceans, and rivers to women's rights and health care, which will set in motion a continuously evolving process of environmental policy formation.

- A new Commission on Sustainable Development that will be established at the UN to monitor national compliance

with the environmental targets agreed upon at the talks. The Commission will also review the development assistance contributions from the industrial countries to make sure these contributions are sufficient to enable the implementation of the Agenda 21 policies.

- A new International Green Cross for worldwide "emergency" environmental assistance, to be headed by Mikhail Gorbachev, that will be formally established next year.

- President Bush's call for an international conference on global warming January 1st, for the nations to report on specific plans to reduce greenhouse gases.

- President Bush's pledge to double U.S. aid to international efforts aimed at "protecting" forests.

Flying Down to Rio

From the moment I stepped aboard the Rio-bound 747 at Miami International Airport, it was obvious I had entered alien territory. Long-haired refugees from the '60s in Birkenstocks and tie-dyed shirts, yuppies in designer digs wearing Greenpeace buttons, and silver-haired socialist grandmothers with handfuls of Zero Population Growth pamphlets mixed with UN staffers in three-piece suits clutching reams of notes on treaty negotiations and members of the press studiously preparing for the upcoming event by poring through the latest briefings from the Worldwatch Institute, Friends of the Earth, or the Business Council for Sustainable Development.

But what else would one would expect en route to the Green Woodstock known as the Global Forum and the planetary conference dubbed the Earth Summit or Eco '92? As fate would have it, as we disembarked from our plane at Galeano Airport and made our way slowly and laboriously



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Rising star: Senator Al Gore (D-Tenn.), right, speaks during a news conference at the 1992 Earth Summit. Huge media fanfare made his pre-summit book *Earth in the Balance* a bestseller and launched his career as a climate guru, albeit a hypocritical one whose carbon footprint dwarfs that of the average American.

through the crowded Brazilian customs lines, I ended up elbow to elbow with a passenger from another flight — Dr. Dixy Lee Ray. As we were probably the only “oddballs” amongst the thousands of greenies and globies streaming into Rio, our meeting was indeed fortuitous.

The Earth Summit, for me, was filled with paradox and irony at every turn. Take, for instance, the spiritual dimension of the conference. From the window of my apartment at the foot of Corcovado Mountain I was able to look directly up at the famed statue of Christ the Redeemer, whose outstretched arms have welcomed travelers to Rio de Janeiro for most of this century. In the early morning hours when I arose, He was standing majestically above the mists. Throughout the day, the towering figure is a visible landmark from virtually every sector of the city. At night, bathed in light, He is a beacon to the world. It is a beautiful, comforting, and awe-inspiring sight.

But for most of the tens of thousands of Earth Summiteers who descended on Rio, Christ the Redeemer held little, if any, attraction. They had rejected Him for the green-theology mishmash of earth worship and New Age mysticism. At both

the official UNCED summit at Rio Centro and the Global Forum “people’s summit” at Flamengo Park, pagan aboriginal rites and wacky eco-babble melded to form an incoherent spiritual “faith.”

Opening Declaration

Earth Summit chief Maurice Strong, in his opening address to the UNCED plenary session, directed the world’s attention to the Declaration of the Sacred Earth, which was part of the pre-Summit ceremonies. “The changes in behavior and direction called for here,” said Strong, “must be rooted in our deepest spiritual, moral, and ethical values.” According to the declaration, “The [ecological] crisis transcends all national, religious, cultural, social, political and economic boundaries.” “The responsibility of each human being today is to choose between the force of darkness and the force of light,” Strong exhorted. “We must therefore transform our attitudes and values, and adopt a renewed respect for the superior laws of Divine Nature.”

Delegates and members of the news media referred to the Rio Declaration and Agenda 21 as “sacred” texts. Senator Al Gore (D-TN), who led the U.S. Senate

delegation to Rio, called for a new spiritual relationship between man and earth. A centerpiece of the Global Forum opening ceremony was the Viking ship *Gaia*, named for the Greek goddess of earth. At the culmination of that program, a group calling itself the “Sacred Drums of the Earth” struck up a solemn cadence. The ceremony program said that the drummers would “maintain a continuous heartbeat near the official site of the Earth Summit, as part of a ritual for the healing of our Earth to be felt by those who are deciding Earth’s fate.”

At the first plenary session, Uri Marinov, Israel’s Minister of the Environment, issued a New Ten Commandments on Environment and Development. No one bothered to ask him what was wrong with the original Ten Commandments. Was the Creator of this planet somehow negligent, or so ignorant of environmental science that His original Decalogue is ecologically deficient? As we recall, the first of His commandments states: “I am the Lord thy God; thou shalt not have false gods before Me.” That, understandably, makes the greenies uncomfortable. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s goods. Those also can be troublesome when your plans call for expropriating the property of others.

True, there were also “Christian” participants in the summit celebrations. Ministers from the World Council of Churches and Catholic clerics like Dom Helder Cammarra — known as the “Red Archbishop” because of his blatantly pro-communist sympathies — could be found amidst the cymbal-clanging Hare Krishnas, diapered swamis, saffron-robed gurus, and witch doctors in loincloths. But they were there precisely because their ecumenical “spirit” promotes an anti-Christian, syncretistic blend of Christianity and paganism.

Many of the greens make no bones about their animus toward Christianity. Jose Lutzenberger, former Brazilian Minister of the Environment, decried the foundation of modern education, which he argued was “based on the Judeo-Christian philosophy of an evil world which needs to be subdued by man.” Lutzenberger exhorted, “We have to teach our children to dialogue with their world. We need a moral revolution, and should learn from indigenous people who have successful-

ly integrated their species into the entire symphony of nature.”

This blaming of the biblical world outlook for the world’s environmental problems, and the romanticizing of aboriginal religions and “lifestyles,” was rife among the eco-crazies. It was also the source of much chagrin when the Indians didn’t play the roles expected of them. As for instance, when Mario Jurunu, an Xavante Indian chief from the interior of Brazil, appeared amongst the greenies at the Global Forum trying to sell a large spotted jaguar skin for six hundred dollars. He had killed the beast near his home in the western state of Mato Grosso, and challenged, “I will sell it, yes, and nobody will forbid me. If Indians were free, they would sell snake, alligator, wild cats, jaguar, and other animal skins. What should Indians do? Let themselves be eaten by the leopard to keep the foreigners happy?”

Flunking the Green Test

One could not go far in Rio without running into blatant examples of green hypocrisy. Consider, for instance, UNCED transportation. Most of the thousands of delegates, UNCED employees, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), and members of the press attending Eco

’92 rode the UN chartered buses from their beach hotels to the Rio Centro convention site some 30 miles away. Many of these shiny new air-conditioned buses with the Earth Summit logo on their sides ran around virtually empty all week. On my first trip to Rio Centro, my bus with 48 seats carried a total of four passengers. We passed another Rio Centro-bound bus with one passenger and several others with similar loads. Those were not isolated incidents; they were repeated many times each day. Talk about environmentally unfriendly! These are the same people who insist that you carpool, or, better yet, give up your car for a bicycle and mass transit.

Deforestation was, of course, a major concern of the Earth Summiteers in Rio. But you certainly wouldn’t have guessed it from the forest of trees felled to produce the blizzard of paper issued at the summit each day. Tons of official committee reports, press releases, speeches, and bulletins combined with mountains of tabloids and papers put out by all of the “save the forests, hug a tree” eco-activists at the Global Forum to create a truly overwhelming paper avalanche. There was a steady convoy of young men pushing gurneys groaning under the weight of massive

stacks of paper from the UN’s Rio Centro photocopy/printing facility to the press and information centers.

Agenda 21, the massive global plan for regulating the entire planet, runs some 800 pages. Thousands of copies of this document alone, in its various stages of negotiation, were issued to the summit attendees. One of the most passionately fought sections of this agreement deals with sustainable forestry practices and forest product consumption. But the irony appeared to be lost on the summit greenies, who also went through enough plastic cups to close a fair-sized municipal landfill. Apparently, they forgot to bring their ceramic Greenpeace mugs, a practice they urge on others.

Air conditioning is one of the super eco-villains of modern industrial society that has been repeatedly reviled by UNCED chief Maurice Strong and other greens. But they made sure the air conditioning was up and running at Rio Centro to keep the offices and the main conference hall where the plenary sessions were held cool and comfortable. Much of the time the huge glass doors to the plenary session hall were wide open, forcing the air conditioning units to work overtime processing the unseasonably warm and humid Rio air. Likewise, many offices and conference rooms were left empty and unattended, with lights still on and air conditioning running full tilt. More Fs on the greens’ report card.

Orgy of Consumption

In one plenary speech after another, in interview after interview, and in conversations overheard in the corridors, meeting rooms, and cafes, one of the most popular recurring themes had to do with the planet-threatening “unsustainable” consumption patterns of the industrialized countries. In his opening speech, Maurice Strong condemned the “wasteful and destructive lifestyles of the rich” and warned of the “disproportionate pressures on the environment, resources, and life-support systems of our planet” caused by the developed countries. Every child born in the developed world, he reminded us, “consumes 20 to 30 times the resources of the planet than any third world child.” Presumably such rhetoric is intended to induce sufficient guilt that we of the “wasteful and destructive life-



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Arch-globalist/communist front man: Canadian energy magnate Maurice Strong, who served as UN chief at the Earth Summit, was a longtime board member of the World Economic Forum and a close pal of Mikhail Gorbachev and CCP leaders Hu Jintao and Xi Jinping.



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UN luxury hypocrisy: The Earth Summit opened with a champagne toast by Portuguese President Fernando Collor at the huge Rio Centro convention center, where glass walls were wide open and ACs were running full blast.

styles” will accept government policies that drastically reduce our consumption, bringing it more in line with that of the “third world.” Certainly, the planet planners don’t want to see third world lifestyles elevated to standards common in the developed countries. That, they have made clear, would be ecologically disastrous — “unsustainable.”

“One part of the world,” Strong continued, “cannot live an orgy of unrestrained consumption while the rest destroys its environment just to survive.” Anwar Saifullah Khan, Minister of the Environment for Pakistan, joined in the condemnation of “the desire to perpetuate overconsumptive lifestyles that are substantially responsible for degradation of the environment and depletion of natural resources.”

Surely, then, these passionate Jeremiahs are themselves paragons of ascetic virtue and exemplars of the “sustainable” lifestyle they so ardently preach to others. Hah! That’s one of the most galling things about the entire, phony eco-charade in Rio. After imploring the middle classes of the developed world to curb their “excessive” lifestyles and shoulder a larger tax burden for foreign aid to the “developing world,” Strong and associates spilled out of the air-conditioned plenary session into

the balmy evening air of the Rio Centro veranda, where white-tuxedoed waiters served them cocktails and hors d’oeuvres to the soft strains of Carioca music.

From there these models of abstemious living were off to one of the dozens of famous eateries and chic watering holes along the white sand beaches of Ipanema, Copacabana, Leblon, and São Conrado, where the tab for dinner and sundries can top the annual wages of many of the Third World laborers they claim to champion. Then onward to Rio’s nightclubs and discotheques for more cocktails and dancing, to Oba Oba for a burlesque skin show, or to Guanabara Bay for an evening cruise, before returning to their luxury hotels for a few hours rest to prepare them for another day of world saving.

It’s a tough job, but somebody’s got to do it. And who could be more qualified than the UN civil servants and government officials who have been training for the past several years by globe hopping to Paris, Geneva, Kuala Lumpur, Brussels, Kyoto, Nairobi, New York, London, and Tokyo for conferences on global warming, ozone depletion, biodiversity, rain forests, etc.? Of course, the U.S. congressional delegation was also up to the task. They joined the official U.S. summit delegation

at the ultra-posh Sheraton Hotel, a five-star accommodation where the rooms start at \$300 per night.

U.S.-bashing

On June 2nd, the day before the opening of UNCED, the *New York Times*’ James Brooke reported that the “mood in Brazil is that the United States will be the biggest villain of the conference” for refusing to sign the biodiversity convention and weakening the climate change accord. Under the headline, “U.S. Has a Starring Role at Rio as Villain,” Brooke quoted Fabio Feldman, a leading Social Democrat of Brazil, denouncing the United States in harsh terms. “U.S. intransigence is recreating the polarized atmosphere of the 1960s,” said Feldman, “— all civil society and the press against the U.S.”

Suddenly, the U.S. was “isolated” from the rest of the world. Rio’s daily newspapers, *O Globo* and *Jornal do Brasil*, the Brazilian television news, and all of the international press corps fell in line on the “isolation” theme for the first several days of the conference and kept that as a top concern in stories throughout the summit.

Veja, a Brazilian news weekly, called President Bush “Uncle Grubby” and “Mr. Smoke,” and said, “Bush comes to Rio as Earth Summit Enemy.” The headline of the lead story in *Jornal do Brasil* for June 5th read, “U.S. singled out as Eco bad guy.” The U.S. press was just as bad. The U.S.-bashing was getting so bad that Earth Summit chief Maurice Strong, himself a leading U.S. antagonist, felt compelled to come to the United States’ defense so that the summit would not degenerate completely into chaotic name calling.

The late Warren Brookes popularized the term “Watermelon Marxist” to describe the militant environmentalist: green on the outside, red on the inside. It was a fitting description of many of those attending the Earth Summit and Global Forum. This was revealed most clearly with the arrival in Rio of communist dictator Fidel Castro. We’ll let the *New York Times* describe the event: “Inside and outside the main conference hall, the biggest applause went for Fidel Castro, who proved his durability as a tribune for anti-American sentiments among many people in impoverished countries.”

As Castro arrived at his luxury hotel,

he was greeted by onlookers with shouts of “Viva Fidel Castro!” and “Viva Cuba!” The *Times* reported: “Mr. Castro drew cheers when [he] strode to the platform to denounce the industrialized countries as guilty of most of the world’s environmental problems.” It was the most invigorating anti-American celebration many of these eco-revolutionaries had experienced since the Vietnam War.

“A Species Out of Control”

Underlying all the issues dear to the hearts of environmentalists is the matter of population — or, rather, population control. In spite of disagreements on many other issues, the one thing that finds the greens in greatest unanimity is the belief that there are too many people in this world, and that something drastic must be done to change this. Thus, one of the most common criticisms leveled against the summit by the participants was the lack of any forceful proposals to “deal” with population. The May-June issue of *Popline*, a bi-monthly tabloid published by the Population Institute, charges that “the written agenda for UNCED slights the population issue. It contains not a single mention of birth control, contraception, or family planning.”

In response to these critics, many

UNCED speakers worked population themes into their speeches. Maurice Strong deplored the world’s “explosive increase in population” and warned, “We have been the most successful species ever; we are now a species out of control.” “Population,” he declared, “must be stabilized, and rapidly.”

Jacques Cousteau, one of the most venerated attractions at the summit, issued a dire warning that “the fuse connected to a demographic explosion is already burning.” At most, he said, humanity has 10 years to put it out. The famed oceanographer urged “drastic, unconventional decisions” if the world is to avoid reaching the “absurd figure of 16 billion human beings” by the year 2070.

This theme was echoed by Gro Harlem Brundtland, prime minister of Norway and chair of the World Commission on Environment and Development, by Mostafa Tolba, executive director of the United Nations Environmental Program, and by many others. Agenda 21 asserts that \$4.5 billion per year is needed for “demographic policies” in developing countries, and says that some \$7 billion per year is needed until the year 2000 to implement “intensive programmes” necessary for population stabilization. What that means,

in plain English, is that the UN wants a lot more money to expand its population control programs of sterilization, abortion, and universal access to contraceptives and sex education. As we approach the United Nations Conference on Population and Development scheduled for 1994, we can expect to see the UN campaign for population control programs intensify.

The Green World Order

In his presentation to the summit on June 4th, World Bank President Lewis Preston called for a “global partnership” in safeguarding the planet and warned that “substantially increased aid flows are crucial if the low-income countries are to meet their national environmental needs.” Naturally, since he is in the best position to know and service those needs, he wants a hefty increase in funding for the World Bank. Preston also called for an “earth increment” increase for the International Development Association (IDA), the arm of the World Bank that lends to the poorest countries. The grand total: “only” \$23 billion. On the final day of the conference, delegates agreed to give “special consideration” to the Preston proposals, but no firm commitments were made.

One of the major players (both out front and behind the scenes) at Rio and in the preparations leading up to the summit was the Washington-based Worldwatch Institute. An interview with Lester Brown, founder and president of Worldwatch, appeared in the June 3rd issue of *Terraviva*, a special daily newspaper of the Earth Summit. Brown expressed hope that “ecological sustainability will become the new organizing principle, the foundation of the ‘new world order,’ if you will.”

Brown, a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, admitted that this meant giving up national sovereignty. “One hears from time to time from conservative columnists and others that we, as the United States, don’t want to sign these treaties that would sacrifice our national sovereignty,” said Brown. “But what they seem to overlook is that we’ve already lost a great deal of our sovereignty. We can no longer protect the stratospheric ozone layer over the United States. We can’t stabilize the U.S. climate without the cooperation of the countries throughout the world. If even one major developing country con-



Greens and Reds hail Fidel: The Rio Earth Summit delegates showed their watermelon Marxist (green outside, red inside) bona fides with their tumultuous “Viva Fidel!” welcome for communist dictator Fidel Castro.

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Bushwhacking America: At the Rio Earth Summit, President George H.W. Bush signed onto Agenda 21 and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change. He is shown here with First Lady Barbara Bush signing the Earth Pledge.

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more palatable to the negotiators who may initially feel threatened by any loss of sovereignty. *So-called “soft law” — declarations, resolutions, and action plans that nations do not need to formally ratify and are not legally binding — can help to create an international consensus, mobilize aid, and lay the groundwork for the negotiation of binding treaties later.* [Emphasis added.]

“Agenda 21,” says French, “an action plan on nearly all aspects of sustainable development expected to emerge from UNCED, would fall into this category.”

Inside operators like French are not moaning because they did not get everything they wanted in the Earth Summit treaties. They got their feet in the door, and that’s what matters most.

Bland Bludgeon

New York Times writer William K. Stevens recognizes this important lesson as well. In the *Times* of June 14th, he notes that “blandness can sometimes prove a surprisingly effective bludgeon.” “The parcel of treaties signed here have been portrayed by disappointed advocates as pitiful gutless creatures with no bite,” said Stevens. “But they have hidden teeth that will develop in the right circumstances.”

That is why Richard E. Benedick, the former State Department official who helped negotiate the ozone layer treaty, has observed that the Earth Summit “should not be judged by the immediate results, but by the process it sets in motion.”

And that process has set a lot of things in motion. In his aforementioned work *After the Earth Summit*, Hilary F. French notes: “Events in Rio also may lay the groundwork for a more ambitious reform of the United Nations proposed for 1995. An independent group of current and past world leaders including Willy Brandt, Jimmy Carter, Vaclav Havel, Julius Nyerere, and Eduard Shevardnadze has recommended that a World Summit on Global Governance be held that year — the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the United Nations.”

And you thought the Earth Summit was about protecting “biodiversity,” stopping global warming, and saving the rain forests. ■

tinues to use CFCs (chlorofluorocarbons), it will eventually deplete the ozone layer. We can’t protect the biological diversity of the planet by ourselves. We’ve lost sovereignty; we’ve lost control.”

What it really gets down to, said Brown, is that “we can no longer separate the future habitability of the planet from the distribution of wealth.” No surprise there. With social engineers like Brown, redistribution of the wealth is what it ultimately gets down to.

Lester Brown was not the only one talking sacrifice of sovereignty. Willy Brandt, president of the Socialist International, in an interview with *Terraviva* on June 4th, declared: “A more broadly defined concept of security corresponds to a more narrowly defined concept of national sovereignty. Ceding powers to regional organizations is something which has been accepted as a matter of fact in the European Community — and should be envisaged vis-a-vis the United Nations, too.” These sentiments were echoed in many of the summit speeches.

After the Summit

The influential Worldwatch study, *After the Earth Summit: The Future of Environmental Governance*, by Hilary F. French, has this to say on the subject:

National sovereignty — the power of a country to control events within its territory — has lost much of its meaning in today’s world, where borders are routinely breached by pollution, international trade, financial flows and refugees.... Because all of these forces can affect environmental trends, international treaties and institutions are proving ever more critical to addressing ecological threats. *Nations are in effect ceding portions of their sovereignty to the international community, and beginning to create a new system of international environmental governance as a means of solving otherwise-unmanageable problems.* [Emphasis added.]

What French says next has very strong bearing on the results of the just-concluded summit:

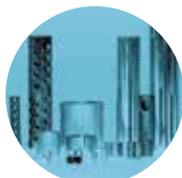
The past twenty years’ experience has yielded some instructive lessons in environmental negotiations — which the world community can now apply to the larger challenges looming on the horizon. Paradoxically, one way to make environmental agreements more effective is in some cases to make them less enforceable — and therefore

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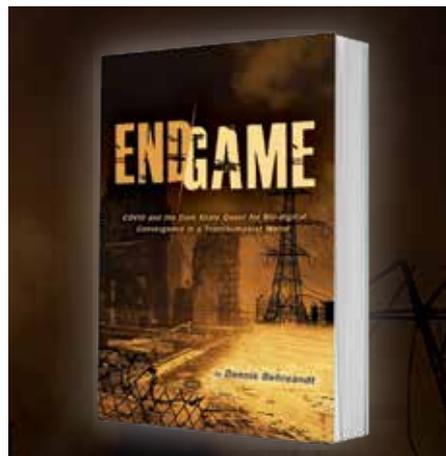
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American Traditions **Under Attack**

Americans love their traditions. From family outings to sports to holidays, many Americans look forward to doing something special every now and again. Our hectic schedules only allow for so much, which makes certain traditions precious to us.

For me, between the kids' schedules and work, hunting always provides a good outlet that helps me recharge. My dad (a cranberry grower) introduced me to this tradition nearly four decades ago. Once cranberry harvest was over, he looked forward to spending time outdoors chasing the elusive whitetailed deer. However, even more he liked spending time with a handful of cousins he invited to come hunting each year. The weekend before Thanksgiving, my mom and sisters would go on a shopping trip with other family, leaving the home open to many hunters, who used it as "base camp."

While Saturday was opening day of the gun deer season, Friday and Saturday nights were times of loud card games, laughter, and a general time of catching up. There were many times of serious hunting, but most of the hunters on Sunday came in to catch the Green Bay Packers game and left right afterwards. Many years of this made such an impression on me that I named our firstborn son after a couple of these hunters, one of whom died from cancer when he was in his 30s.

So I make the annual pilgrimage into the hunting woods each November, sometimes spending hours in the blistering cold just for an opportunity to fill my freezer with lean protein. While my son goes with me, he hasn't caught the hunting bug as severely as I have. Perhaps at some point he will, or he will find something else that will ignite a new tradition — a tradition of family and friends that will create lifelong bonds. The opportunity to do so is based on freedom. That's America. Nowhere else in the world will you find comparable freedom.

Yet, what have we learned in this issue of the magazine? A cabal of elites (or so they see themselves) is working to take away your choices, your freedom. They have succeeded in convincing a sizeable portion of the population to work toward giving up their freedom, their liberties, and their common sense in exchange for deindustrializing first-world countries — all in the name of climate change.



Deindustrializing the United States means giving up many of the advances Western civilization has come to rely upon in order to live comfortable lives based on the hard work of one's God-given skills and ingenuity. It also means lowering the standard of living for Americans to better mirror living conditions in third-world countries. The reason for this is twofold.

Those struggling to survive using the basic elements of their surroundings are much easier to control than those who comfortably exist and who can mount a defense.

Plus, when countries around the world share a similar standard of living, it is much easier to comfortably merge them under first regional, and then world, government. This has been the plan of the globalist conspiracy since even before Karl Marx was paid to pen his manifesto.

The Council on Foreign Relations has alluded to this many times in its *Foreign Affairs* publication, including in a 1974 article by globalist and internationalist Richard Gardner, who suggested that a frontal attack on national sovereignty would not be successful, but an end run around the Constitution to chip away at sovereignty and surrender it piece by piece to globalist organizations would be an effective and stealthy way to build a New World Order.

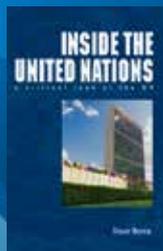
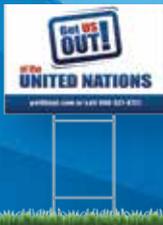
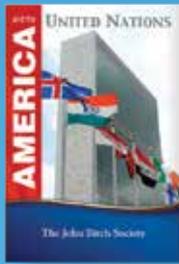
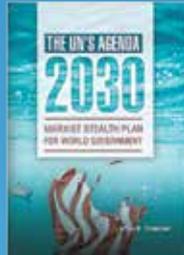
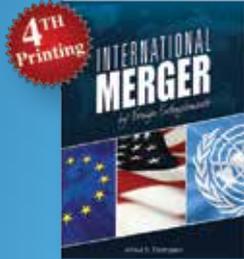
What you are witnessing with the "new religion" is an attempt by the United Nations and other globalists to replace God with the state. Doing so wipes out the American foundation of rights that the Constitution protects. Get rid of the foundation, and rights become privileges that are easily manipulated and taken away by ever-growing government.

The Founding Fathers were vehemently against government that operated outside of its Constitutional limitations. Their Declaration of Independence solidified why governments were instituted: to protect our God-given rights. It's high time Americans learn and work to protect this principle.

American traditions will be a thing of the past if the UN gets its way. But it doesn't have to be so. The John Birch Society exists to expose and stop these plans, and has been doing so since 1958. Do more than read about this fight. Get involved by joining the JBS and its efforts to save American liberties, freedom, and independence. Join today at JBS.org. ■



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