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Former Vice-President Al Gore came to Washington on July 17, 2008, to deliver yet another speech warning of the “climate crisis.”

“The leading experts predict that we have less than 10 years to make dramatic changes in our global warming pollution lest we lose our ability to ever recover from this environmental crisis,” Gore stated. But the former Vice President, who has been warning of a 10-year “tipping point” for several years now, appears to be unaware that the United Nations already started the 10-year countdown -- in 1989!



According to July 5, 1989, article in the *Miami Herald*, the then-director of the New York office of the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), Noel Brown, warned of a “10-year window of opportunity to solve” global warming. According to the 1989 article, “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. Coastal flooding and crop failures would create an exodus of ‘eco-refugees,’ threatening political chaos.” ([LINK](#)) & ([LINK](#))

While Gore repeats his standard stump speech promoting man-made climate fears, much of the international science community is now openly dissenting from human caused global warming fears.

Below is a very small sampling of very inconvenient developments for Gore, the United Nations, and the mainstream media. Peer-reviewed studies, analyses, and prominent scientists continue to speak out to refute climate fears. The majority of data presented below is from just the past month or two.

[Also see: [U.S. Senate Minority Report: “Over 400 Prominent Scientists \(and rapidly growing\) Disputed Man-Made Global Warming Claims in 2007”](#) & An August 2007 report detailed how proponents of man-made global warming fears enjoy a monumental funding advantage over skeptical scientists. [LINK](#)]

RUSSIAN SCIENTISTS CHALLENGE CLIMATE CHANGE CONSENSUS - Russian scientists 'reject the very idea that carbon dioxide may be responsible for global warming' - The Hindu – India’s National Newspaper: July 10, 2008:

Excerpt: As western nations step up pressure on India and China to curb the emission of greenhouse gases, Russian scientists reject the very idea that carbon dioxide may be responsible for global warming. Russian critics of the Kyoto Protocol, which calls for cuts in CO₂ emissions, say that the theory underlying the pact lacks scientific basis. Under the Theory of Anthropogenic Global Warming, it is human-generated greenhouse gases, and mainly CO₂, that cause climate change. “The Kyoto theorists have put the cart before the horse,” says renowned Russian geographer Andrei Kapitsa. “It is global warming that triggers higher levels of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, not the other way round.” [...] When four years ago, then President Vladimir Putin was weighing his options on the Kyoto Protocol the Russian Academy of Sciences strongly advised him to reject it as having “no scientific foundation.” ([LINK](#))

'Considerable presence' of global warming skeptics exist, science group admits – July 16, 2008 – Australian's *The Herald-Sun*

Excerpt: What consensus? The American Physical Society reports: There is a considerable presence within the scientific community of people who do not agree with the IPCC conclusion that anthropogenic CO₂ emissions are very probably likely to be primarily responsible for the global warming that has occurred since the Industrial Revolution. - So it has opened a debate, kicked off by Christopher Monckton: The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC, 2007) concluded that anthropogenic CO₂ emissions probably caused more than half of the “global warming” of the past 50 years and would cause further rapid warming. However, global mean surface temperature has not risen since 1998 and may have fallen since late 2001. The present analysis suggests that the failure of the IPCC’s models to predict this and many other climatic phenomena arises from defects in its evaluation of the three factors whose product is climate sensitivity... More importantly, the conclusion is that, perhaps, there is no “climate crisis”, and that currently-fashionable efforts by governments to reduce anthropogenic CO₂ emissions are pointless, may be ill-conceived, and could even be harmful. ([LINK](#))

India Issues Report Challenging Global Warming Fears – July 9, 2008

Excerpt: India issued its [National Action Plan on Climate Change](#) in June 2008 disputing man-made global warming fears and declared the country of one billion people had no intention of stopping its energy growth or cutting back its CO₂ emissions. [...] The report declared: “No firm link between the documented [climate] changes described below and warming due to anthropogenic climate change has yet been established.” ([LINK](#))

Canvass of more than 51,000 Canadian scientists in 2008 reveals 68% disagree that global warming science is ‘settled’ – March 6, 2008

Excerpt: A canvass of more than 51,000 scientists with the Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta (APEGGA) found 68% of them disagree with the statement that ‘the debate on the scientific causes of recent climate

change is settled." According to the survey, only 26% of scientists attributed global warming to "human activity like burning fossil fuels." APEGGA's executive director Neil Windsor said, "We're not surprised at all. There is no clear consensus of scientists that we know of." ([LINK](#)) & ([LINK](#)) [Note: The oft repeated notion of "hundreds" or even "thousands" of scientists affiliated with the UN agreeing to a single "consensus" does not hold up to scrutiny. Out of all the scientists affiliated with the UN, only 52 scientists participated in UN IPCC Summary for Policymakers, which had to adhere to the wishes of the UN political leaders and delegates in a process described as more closely resembling a political party's convention platform battle, not a scientific process. - [LINK](#) & [LINK](#) - In addition, the so-called "consensus" statements by scientific groups like the National Academy of Sciences, the American Meteorological Society, and the American Geophysical Union are only voted on by two dozen or so governing board members with no direct vote cast by rank-and-file scientists - [LINK](#)]

Team of 13 International Scientists Write Letter To UN Sec. Gen. – IPCC ‘Must be called to account and cease its deceptive practices’ - 14th of July, 2008 ([LINK](#))

Australian scientist reverses view on man-made warming - Now a Skeptic! Now says 'new evidence has seriously weakened' the case - (By Mathematician, Rocket Scientist & Engineer Dr. David Evans, who did carbon accounting for the Australian Government) – July 18, 2008 ([LINK](#))

Nobel Prize Winner for Physics, Ivar Giaever, Declares Himself Dissenter: ‘I am a skeptic’ - 'Global warming has become a new religion' - July 2, 2008 - ([LINK](#))

Top UN IPCC Japanese Scientist Turns on IPCC. Calls Warming Fears: ‘Worst scientific scandal in the history’ – June 27, 2008 - By Dr. Kiminori Itoh, an award-winning PhD environmental physical chemist who specializes in optical waveguide spectroscopy from the Yokohama National University, also contributed to the 2007 UN IPCC AR4 (fourth assessment report) as an expert reviewer. ([LINK](#))

New scientific paper shows CO2's effect on temperature was overstated 500-2000% - Published in Physics and Society journal of the American Physical Society – July 2008 ([LINK](#))

Atmospheric Scientist Dr. Roy Spencer, formerly of NASA, presented ‘smoking gun’ analysis showing UN IPCC models ,significantly overstated climate sensitivity to human climate forcings’ - June 17, 2008 – ([LINK](#))

Four prominent scientists warn 'global warming out, global cooling in'- ‘Potential for a significant decline in the average mean temperature’ - July 12, 2008 ([LINK](#)) & ([LINK](#))

Arctic ice INCREASES by nearly a half million square miles over same time period in 2007 - July 18, 2008 – ([LINK](#))

Australian astronomical Society warns of global COOLING as Sun's activity 'significantly diminishes' – June 29, 2008 – ([LINK](#)) & ([LINK](#))

New Study Exposes UN IPCC as ‘single-interest organization’ with echo chamber process – July 15, 2008 – By Climate data analyst John McLean ([LINK](#))

Atmospheric Scientist Tennekes: 'Sun may cause some cooling' - 'No evidence at all for catastrophic global warming' - July 14, 2008 (By Atmospheric scientist Dr. Hendrik Tennekes, a scientific pioneer in the development of numerical weather prediction and former director of research at The Netherlands' Royal National Meteorological Institute.) ([LINK](#))

Atmospheric Physicist James Peden Dissents from man-made CO2 Fears – ‘The so-called Greenhouse Effect is a Myth’ – Peden is formerly of the Space Research and Coordination Center in Pittsburgh and Extranuclear Laboratories in Blawnox, Pennsylvania, studying ion-molecule reactions in the upper atmosphere. ([LINK](#))

South African Scientist: 'There is no evidence man-made CO2 causes climate change' – By Dr. Kelvin Kemm, formerly a scientist at South Africa’s Atomic Energy Corporation. ([LINK](#))

Climatologist dismisses extreme weather predictions due to man-made warming as ‘complete nonsense’ – By Hydro-climatologist Stewart Franks, an Associate Professor of Environmental Engineering at the University of Newcastle in Australia. ([LINK](#))

Another scientist dismisses fearmongers: Midwest Floods and ‘Completely Unjustified’ Climate Change Fear Mongering – June 22, 2008 - By Mike Smith is a certified consulting meteorologist and a Fellow of the American Meteorological Society He is CEO of WeatherData Services, Inc., an AccuWeather Company, based in Wichita.) ([LINK](#))

U.S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) report shows Hurricanes declining, NO increases in drought, tornados, thunderstorms, heat-waves – June 20, 2008 – ([LINK](#))

Going Down: Death Rates Due to Extreme Weather Events ([LINK](#))

Analysis in peer-reviewed journal finds COLD PERIODS – not warm periods – see INCREASE in floods, droughts, storms, famine – April 24, 2008 - ([LINK](#))

Top Australian Scientist: Why so much climate change talk is hot air – (By William Kininmonth. formerly head of Australia's National Climate Centre and a consultant to the World Meteorological Organization. He is author of Climate Change: A Natural Hazard (Multi-science Publishing, 2004) ([LINK](#))

MIT Scientist Dr. Robert Rose wrote on July 8, 2008, “Cooler heads [are] needed in global warming debate” and linked warming and cooling cycles to the “orbit and the tilt and wobble of the axis of the Earth's spin.” Rose also questioned climate model predictions by stating, “Clearly, these are not ‘facts.’ They are computer models.” (Rose is a professor of Materials Science and Engineering at MIT with approximately 50 years of experience teaching various scientific disciplines at the graduate and undergraduate levels.) ([LINK](#))

Atmospheric Scientist Dr. Joanna Simpson, the first woman in the world to receive a PhD in meteorology declared she was skeptical of man-made climate fears – February 27, 2008 - Excerpt: “Since I am no longer affiliated with any organization nor receiving any funding, I can speak quite frankly,” Simpson, formerly of NASA who has authored more than 190 studies, wrote in a public letter on February 27. “As a scientist I remain skeptical,” she wrote. Simpson was described by former Colorado State Climatologist Dr. Roger Pielke, Sr. as “among the most preeminent scientists of the last 100 years.” ([LINK](#))

Veteran UN Climate Scientist Resigns Science Group in Protest: "AN ORCHESTRATED LITANY OF LIES" By UN IPCC Chemist Dr. Vincent Gray ([LINK](#))

Award-winning Philippines ecologist and evolutionary biologist Dr. Perry Ong declared climate fears were “hyped up.” – May 18, 2008 – Ong is the director of the Institute of Biology at the University of the Philippines’ College of Science.) ([LINK](#))

International climate declaration tops 1,100 endorsers – Man-made climate fears rejected – June 19, 2008 – ([LINK](#))

Prominent scientist refutes his own theory, finds warming does not increase hurricanes – July 15, 2008 - Dr. Kerry Emanuel, an MIT professor of atmospheric science ([LINK](#)) & ([LINK](#))

Another prominent hurricane expert reconsiders view: New study says global warming not worsening hurricanes – May 19, 2008 - By Meteorologist Tom Knutson of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s fluid dynamics lab in Princeton, N.J. ([LINK](#))

UK Scientist Calls Man-Made Warming Fears ‘Dangerous Nonsense of the Age’ – July 17, 2008 - By Biogeography Professor Philip Stott, emeritus of the University of London ([LINK](#))

Global Warming Has Ended – The Next Climate Change to A Pronounced Cold Era Has Begun - The Space and Science Research Center Issues A Formal Declaration: - July 1, 2008 ([LINK](#))

U.S Army Chief Scientist Dr. Bruce West Says Sun, Not Man, Is Driving Climate Change – June 3, 2008 – ([LINK](#))

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New Data from NASA’s Aqua satellite is showing “greatly reduced future warming projected as a consequence of carbon dioxide.” – March 22, 2008 - ([LINK](#))

Report: 31,000 + scientists dispute UN’s man-made global warming claims! – May 16, 2008 ([LINK](#))

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New Peer-Reviewed Study Shows Arctic COOLING Over last 1500 years! - Feb 5, 2008 - Published in Climate Dynamics on 30 January 2008 ([LINK](#))

Numerous Peer-Reviewed Studies Show Natural Causes of Arctic Warming and Ice Reduction - Jan. 2008 – ([LINK](#))

New analysis finds Arctic ice reduction may be due to undersea volcanoes – June 26, 2008 - ([LINK](#))

New Report finds global sea ice GROWING: ‘World sea ice in April 2008 reached levels that were ‘unprecedented’ for the month of April in over 25 years.’ ([LINK](#))

U.S. Senate Report Debunks Polar Bear Extinction Fears - Jan 30, 2008 – ([LINK](#))

Top Ivy League Forecasting expert Dr. Scott Armstrong says polar bear models critically flawed - Bear populations increased in recent decades – May 8, 2008 - ([LINK](#))

Swedish scientists: 'No concrete global warming proof in polar region' – June 21, 2008 – ([LINK](#))

Climate Audit: May Global Sea Ice at '10th highest on record' – June 20, 2008
([LINK](#))

Study: 'Absolutely no evidence of warming for all of Antarctica' – July 1, 2008 – Study conducted by Vesa Laine of the Finnish Meteorological Institute in Helsinki; the work was funded by the Academy of Finland and the Finnish Funding Agency for Technology and Innovation ([LINK](#))

Global warming may not affect sea levels, study finds - Jan 11, 2008 – ([LINK](#))

After being stripped of his title, skeptical Oregon state climatologist George Taylor steps aside - Feb 22, 2008 – ([LINK](#)) [*See also July 2007 comprehensive report detailing how skeptical scientists have faced threats and intimidation -* [LINK](#)]

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UN IPCC in 'Panic Mode' as Earth Fails to Warm, Scientist Paleoclimatologist Dr. Bob Carter says – March 25, 2008 - ([LINK](#))

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Canadian Climatologist Dr. Timothy Ball: CO2 from human or natural sources is not causing global warming – June 23, 2008 – ([LINK](#))

New scientific analysis shows Sun “could account for as much as 69% of the increase in Earth's average temperature”- March 2008 - ([LINK](#)) & ([LINK](#))

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An International team of scientists released a March 2008 report to counter UN IPCC, declaring: “Nature, Not Human Activity, Rules the Climate” ([LINK](#))

Emitting MORE CO2 may 'be good for life on Earth', says atmospheric scientist Dr. Roy Spencer, formerly of NASA in May 2008. ([LINK](#))

Former Colorado State Climatologist Pielke Sr. Rails Against Abuse of the scientific method' in global warming study ([LINK](#))

Sun in deep slumber: 10.7 solar flux hits record low value – July 16, 2008 - By Meteorologist Anthony Watts ([LINK](#))

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Geophysicist calls man-made climate fears 'a fraud' and 'hysterical scare tactic' – June 29, 2008 - (By Dr. David Deming is a geophysicist and associate professor of arts and sciences at the University of Oklahoma who has published peer-reviewed climate studies) ([LINK](#))

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How cold is it getting? Harsh winters force Mongolian horsemen to abandon nomadic life ([LINK](#))

Somaliland resident in Africa: Global warming hysteria, 'more to do with Europe's prosperous middle class politics than Science' ([LINK](#))

Another Dissenter: 'There is only 1/19 as much CO2 in the air today as there was 520 million years' – By Geologist/Earth Scientist Greg Benson: - July 15, 2008 – Benson is an earth scientist with 30 years of geologic study and currently works as a research specialist in geologic modeling. ([LINK](#))

New study finds cleaner skies 'contributing to at least half the warming that has occurred' - July 9, 2008 From New Scientist ([LINK](#))

UN Scientist Debunks Warming Fears: 'No correlation between the anthropogenic emissions of GHGs and global temperature' - By IPCC Reviewer and climate consultant Richard Courtney – ([LINK](#))

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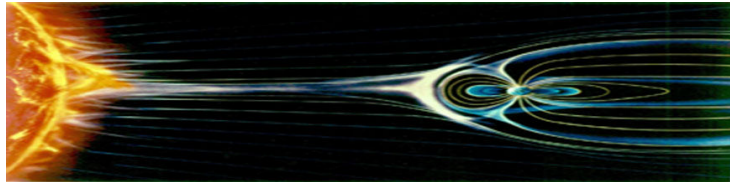
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'No convincing scientific evidence that human release of carbon dioxide...will cause catastrophic heating of the Earth's atmosphere' – By Dr. Fred W. Decker, Professor of Meteorology at Oregon State University, signed the 2008 Oregon Petition dissenting from man-made climate fears. ([LINK](#)) & ([LINK](#)) & ([LINK](#))

Thermometers Are Doing the Talking - by global warming author and environmental economist Dennis T. Avery – June 9, 2008 - ([LINK](#))

'Sun is the primary temperature driver' – By Stephen Wilde has been a Fellow of the Royal Meteorological Society since 1968 – ([LINK](#))

Update: June 15, 2008: More Signs of the Sun Slowing Down - 'We continue to slide into a deeper than normal solar minima, one not seen in decades' By Meteorologist Anthony Watts – ([LINK](#))

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Sea Level Falling? – By Meteorologist Joe D’Aleo of IceCap.US – ([LINK](#))

RIP: Renowned Atmospheric Scientist Dr. Reid Bryson Dies At 88 in June 2008 – Declared: ‘You can go outside and spit and have the same effect as doubling carbon dioxide.’ ([LINK](#)) & ([LINK](#)) Dr. Bryson was prominently featured in the U.S. Senate’s report of now over 400 skeptical scientists of man-made global warming fears. (See: <http://epw.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=Minority.SenateReport>)

‘IPCC theory of anthropogenic warming is a hoax’ says Env. Canada Meteorologist - June 9, 2008 – Canada’s The Hill Times - By Patrick Carroll, retired Environment Canada meteorologist. ([LINK](#))

South African Professor says 'man-made global warming is not real' - Professor Dr. William J.R. Alexander, Emeritus of the Department of Civil and Biosystems Engineering at the University of Pretoria in South Africa and a former member of the United Nations Scientific and Technical Committee on Natural Disasters. ([LINK](#))

Geologist: 'Earth has had massive changes in temperature unrelated to carbon dioxide' - (Article features Prize-winning Geologist Dr. Ian Plimer, a professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences at the University of Adelaide in Australia.) ([LINK](#))

New Zealand Professor Dr. Ron Smith Says “No Consensus” On Global Warming – ([LINK](#))

Weather Channel Founder: 'I ask Al Gore, where’s the global warming?’ – By Meteorologist and Weather Channel Founder John Coleman ([LINK](#))

Global Warming as Religion and not Science By Dr. John Brignell is a UK Emeritus Engineering Professor at the University of Southampton who was awarded the Callendar Silver Medal by InstMC and served on a committee of the Institute of Physics. ([LINK](#))

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