





# Killing U.S., Boosting China, to "Save Climate"

There appears to be more and more truth to the "China owns Biden" quip — and it is not just about Hunter Biden, Joe Biden's cracksmoking, underage-girl-chasing son who infamously went into "business" with top Communist Party of China bigwigs. Indeed, since taking the reins of the presidency, Joe "Big Guy" Biden would have been hardpressed to help Beijing more if he was an actual CCP agent. On his very first day in office, he gave gift after gift to the massmurdering regime ruling Communist China. But perhaps none of those assists were as significant as the decision to reverse President Donald Trump's withdrawal from the discredited United Nations Paris Agreement on climate change.



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"We are going to combat climate change in a way we have not done so far," Biden said before signing the short decree purporting to shackle the United States to the UN scheme.

Under the illegitimate agreement, which has not been ratified by (or even submitted to) the U.S. Senate as required for all treaties, Barack Obama and now Biden promised to handicap what remains of America's productive economy under the guise of helping to stop alleged global warming. Beijing, by contrast, promised to keep building coal-fired power plants and continue increasing the Chinese people's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions until at least 2030. So under the Paris accord China essentially agreed to do nothing about lowering emissions: A U.S. government study estimated that even without the Paris accord, China would hit its peak energy production by 2030. By that point, much of America's remaining productive capacity will have been shipped over to China. And the climate will keep doing what it has always done — change.

The benefits for Beijing only get better. The handicapping of the U.S. economy will be a tremendous boon for Communist China as U.S. companies flee to freer nations without the self-inflicted wounds, surging taxes, and crushing regulations facing America under Biden and the Democratic Congress. But there are other key reasons China will benefit, too.

"Not only does China lead the world in the manufacture of solar panels and wind turbines, the Chinese control an estimated 80% of the rare-earth minerals crucial to the production of lithium batteries, electric vehicles, and solar and wind equipment," reported Valerie Richardson in the *Washington Times* on October 27, 2020. That means that as America shifts toward the windmills, electric cars, and solar panels demanded by Democrats and Biden, she will become ever-more dependent on the most murderous dictatorship in history.

Numerous critics pointed out this reality. "It should be called the Paris-China agreement because China is the largest beneficiary," explained James Taylor, president of the free-market Heartland Institute.





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"China is not bound to make any carbon dioxide emissions reductions, nor is it bound to cap its emissions." Perhaps even more outrageous, Communist China — as a "Developing Nation" under the Paris scheme — will be eligible for U.S. taxpayer-funded grants under the UN's "Green Climate [Slush] Fund" to bribe Third World regimes into jumping on the climate bandwagon.

There are important military and national-security implications to this, too. "Like the Soviets before them, Chinese communists seek to use international agreements and treaties as a conduit for constraining American military and economic power," explained Bonner Cohen, a senior fellow with the National Center for Public Policy Research who has studied the issue extensively. "The Paris Climate Agreement heavily restricts U.S. energy development, which is what Beijing wants. This has both national security and economic implications."

Aside from the economic devastation that is already being felt by Americans, the national-security threat posed by crushing America's economy cannot be overstated. Without a solid economy to fund the military and keep ahead of adversaries' technological innovation, the U.S. government's ability to defend America against hostile foreign powers such as China will be severely diminished. Already, the U.S. government would struggle to keep its military aircraft in the sky or its ships on the seas without Chinese components, experts say. And this is likely just the beginning — all under the guise of saving the climate from what many scientists call the gas of life, or carbon dioxide.

Note that the Paris accord would do virtually nothing to affect the climate. Ironically, the UN itself has explained repeatedly that the Paris Agreement will not do what it is supposedly intended to do — save the climate — based on their own numbers, models, and data. "As things stand, even full implementation of current unconditional and conditional Nationally Determined Contributions makes a temperature increase of at least 3 [degrees Celsius] by 2100 very likely — meaning that governments need to deliver much stronger pledges when they are revised in 2020," a 2017 press release from the UN declared, peddling even more draconian controls on Western economies to supposedly stop "global warming."

The UN, which is dominated by Chinese Communist Party members and supporters, was thrilled with Biden's decision. "I warmly welcome President Biden's steps to re-enter the Paris Agreement on Climate Change and join the growing coalition of governments, cities, states, businesses and people taking ambitious action to confront the climate crisis," said UN boss António Guterres, the former chief of the Socialist International alliance of communist and socialist parties. Playing along with the notion that Biden can unilaterally commit America to the Paris scheme, Guterres could barely contain his glee.

"We look forward to the leadership of United States in accelerating global efforts towards net zero [human emissions of  $CO_2$ ], including by bringing forward a new nationally determined contribution with ambitious 2030 targets and climate finance in advance of COP26 in Glasgow later this year," the UN boss continued, saying the "climate emergency" would be tackled by the UN's "global road map." "With all countries fully engaged, we have a real opportunity to prevent climate catastrophe & embark on transformative Climate Action."

### The Paris Agreement

Biden used an executive decree to purportedly shackle the United States to the UN agreement created in 2015 in Paris, which was first signed by President Obama. "I, Joseph R. Biden Jr., President of the









United States of America, having seen and considered the Paris Agreement, done at Paris on December 12, 2015, do hereby accept the said Agreement and every article and clause thereof on behalf of the United States of America," he wrote in an order signed on January 20, with no reference to what authority he believed authorized the move. The U.S. reentry date was February 19.

The UN, in its summary of how the agreement works, says: "Implementation of the Paris Agreement requires economic and social transformation, based on the best available science," which is a blatant falsehood.

Though under the deal each government in the scheme must ostensibly submit a Nationally Determined Contribution to lower  $CO_2$  emissions, the agreement is really just a collection of countries' promises to do *something*. As *City Journal* writer Oren Cass, who has studied the accord, noted in an interview with John Stossel in 2018, countries didn't even have to mention  $CO_2$  in their promises. He added that the promises are mainly bogus to boot: "What you find is they either pledge to do what they were already going to do anyway, or they pledge even less than that." India "made no pledge to limit their emissions at all; they pledged only to become more efficient." Pakistan pledged "to reach a peak at some point, after which [it plans] to begin reducing emissions." Ironically, countries were applauded for agreeing to do nothing.

Meanwhile many developed nations, which have allowed people to climb out of poverty and misery, agreed to slash  $CO_2$  emissions and redistribute the wealth of their taxpayers to Third World regimes that have kept their people in poverty.

Obama, for instance, promised under the scheme to slash U.S. emissions of  $CO_2$  by over 25 percent from 2005 levels by 2025, while pouring billions of U.S. tax dollars extracted from the middle class into the schemes.

According to Biden's campaign promises, U.S. government schemes to help fulfill the Paris pledges include spending trillions of dollars to reshape America's energy landscape. The plan also calls for a massive "green jobs" program to supposedly manufacture batteries, solar panels, windmills, and other "green" technologies that are already made more cheaply in Communist China. Biden's plan also calls for creating an "Environmental and Climate Justice Division" within the Justice Department in charge of terrorizing all those whose  $CO_2$  emissions do not conform to the new decrees. The goal: make America "carbon-free" by 2035. Since people are carbon-based lifeforms who exhale  $CO_2$ , it was an odd choice of words.

Another key element of the Paris scheme is the UN Green Climate Fund (GCF), a giant slush fund intended to fleece Western taxpayers to bribe Third World kleptocrats into playing along with the "climate crisis" hysteria. In flagrant violation of federal laws prohibiting U.S. funding of organizations that include the "State of Palestine" as a member, Obama funneled a billion U.S. dollars to the dictator-dominated "GCF" before Trump stopped it all. When asked by The New American magazine about the violation of federal law, the U.S. State Department responded that the UN GCF was an "independent entity," not an "international organization," and therefore was not subject to the prohibition.

## The Coming Pain: Breaking YOU!

The pain inflicted on Americans by reentering the Paris accord will be massive. According to a Heritage





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Foundation analysis of the Paris Agreement's expected economic effects, the regulations needed to comply with the terms would destroy nearly half a million jobs by the year 2035. Most of those jobs will be in manufacturing — the very same jobs that create the wealth that enables the federal government to spend trillions on "climate" schemes. But of course, those jobs will not disappear off the face of the Earth. Instead, the companies laying off all those workers will simply build new factories in China and other nations with less-strict controls, meaning the supposedly "dangerous"  $CO_2$  emissions (along with real pollution) will continue being spewed into the atmosphere.

In addition to the jobs lost, the average American family of four should expect to lose about \$20,000 by 2035 through the massive job and wealth destruction, the Heritage Foundation analysis found. Basically, the pie will be a lot smaller. The broader U.S. economy will suffer big time, too, with the Paris deal shaving an aggregate \$2.5 trillion off America's Gross Domestic Product. And that is just under the first round of commitments. "The Paris Agreement requires ever-increasing targets as time goes on, which would further increase the cost of compliance," observed Heritage economist and fellow Nicolas Loris in the analysis. The next round of commitments was supposed to come about in 2020, but the UN summit was canceled — officially because of COVID, but more likely because Trump was in office and the U.S. government was not going to go along with the charade.

Incredibly, leading officials appear to be gleeful about the pain they are preparing to inflict on Americans. For example, Massachusetts climate "czar" David Ismay, who serves under RINO Governor Charlie Baker, vowed to "break" the will of citizens — especially senior citizens — in pursuit of his emission-free "climate" dystopia.

"One thing that we found through our analysis was that 60 percent of our emissions come from you and me, ... residential heating and passenger vehicles," he said on a January 25 webinar to the Vermont Climate Council. "Let me say that again: 60 percent of our emissions that need to be reduced come from you, the senior on fixed income. There is no bad guy left — at least in Massachusetts — to point the finger at to turn the screws on and, you know, break their will so they stop emitting. That's you. We have to break your will. I can't even say that publicly."

There are plenty of RINO "Republicans" on board with the agenda to wipe out America's economy and prosperity in the war against the "gas of life," including more than a dozen in the U.S. House who joined the "Climate Solutions Caucus."

### Putting Globalists & China in the Driver's Seat

Also alarming is that hostile foreign governments could challenge America's energy policies under the UN Paris regime. In a U.S. State Department document obtained under open-records laws and released by a public-interest law group before the election, it was revealed that disputes under the UN scheme would be referred to a "conciliation commission." This international body would then issue "recommendations."

"Now we are reminded that the U.S. can also expect a forum for antagonistic nations to bring their complaints about U.S. policy and claims of non-compliance with Paris' required 'Net Zero' agenda for resolution," explained Chris Horner with the nonprofit group Government Accountability and Oversight.

Self-proclaimed environmental groups praised the Biden administration for its decision to rejoin the UN







deal. Interestingly but not surprisingly, the major "environmental" outfits peddling the Paris regime and other anti-energy policies in the United States are linked to Communist China. In a piece by Kevin Mooney headlined "China's Green Offensive," published by the investigative think tank Capital Research Center, the connections — many of them running right through the Rockefeller dynasty — become clear.



**In need of a thaw:** Many of the wind turbines in Texas that were supposed to help save humanity from alleged man-made global warming were frozen in record cold, leaving millions without power. (*Photo credit: YouTube/Alpine Helicopter De-Icing*)

The U.S. State Department documents highlighted by Mooney revealed that those same environmental activists with close ties to the murderous regime in China were advising the Obama administration on how to bypass the Constitution to shackle America under the Paris Agreement. "Public records indicate the Obama State Department leapt to assist World Resource Institute's [WRI]effort to aid the Chinese government, even after being told precisely what the group had been asked to do and for whom," explained Erin Amsberry with the Institute for Energy Research in announcing a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit in 2018.

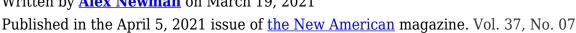
Specifically, Amsberry pointed out that documents show Beijing's "National Center for Climate Change Strategy and International Cooperation" was using U.S. environmental groups such as WRI, which it had reached out to for help, to push the Chinese regime's policies on America under Obama.

Multiple lawmakers have even publicly suggested that these groups are probably required to register under the Foreign Agent Registration Act (FARA) for serving foreign interests — especially Beijing's. One of the groups eventually did register as a foreign agent.

# The Resistance: Federal and State

Even though pro-Paris Agreement Democrats control Congress and the White House, resistance to the scheme is growing at the state and the federal level. And because the UN deal is so blatantly unconstitutional — and has never been ratified — there is a real chance that it could be stopped. Indeed, Article II, Section 2, Clause 2 of the U.S. Constitution only gives the president power "by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate, to make Treaties, provided two thirds of the Senators present concur."







One of the most outspoken critics in Washington has been Senator Ted Cruz (R-Texas). Noting that the UN deal was a treaty by definition, and that treaties require Senate ratification to be considered valid, Cruz had previously urged the outgoing Trump administration to submit it to the Senate as a way to prevent Biden from rejoining. Unfortunately for critics of the scheme, Trump did not do that. However, Cruz is not giving up on his crusade to stop the UN scheme, which the UN continues to describe as "a legally binding international treaty on climate change."

Even Communist China's rubber-stamp "legislature" had to ratify the Paris Agreement as a treaty, while in the United States, Biden (and Obama before him) acts as if Senate approval is not needed.

"If the Biden administration believes that rejoining the agreement is something the American people should support, then he should submit the Paris Climate Agreement to the Senate as a treaty and let the people decide through their elected representatives," Cruz explained in a statement slamming the UN agreement. "But he knows that it would fail. So like his Democratic predecessor, President Biden is governing by executive fiat.... Rejoining the Paris Climate Agreement will do little to affect the climate, and will harm the livelihoods of everyday Americans all across the country. I'll continue working with my colleagues to fight for blue-collar workers and to defend America's energy independence."

Senator Cruz blasted Biden's order, saying it indicates that Biden is "more interested in the views of the citizens of Paris than in the jobs of the citizens of Pittsburgh." Cruz also ridiculed the notion that Biden's decision was about "restoring America's leadership abroad" or "solving the climate crisis." Instead, it is the administration's effort to "destroy jobs they don't like — including thousands of manufacturing jobs — and cede control of our energy future to other countries." The Paris deal will be used by Biden to govern by executive fiat and "burden American families, manufacturers, and businesses with higher energy costs at a time when they are already struggling," Cruz added.

Other U.S. senators are pursuing similar efforts, and even going beyond simply speaking out. Senator Steve Daines (R-Mont.), for instance, submitted a resolution to the Senate demanding that the Biden administration submit the Paris scheme to the U.S. Senate for ratification as a treaty, which is required under the "Supreme Law of the Land." That resolution has already secured support from five other Republican Senators so far: John Barrasso (Wy.), Jerry Moran (Kan.), Roger Marshall (Kan.), Cynthia Lummis (Wy.), and Mike Crapo (Idaho).

Among other concerns, Senator Daines blasted the Paris scheme as "a poorly negotiated, fatally flawed treaty that represents a bad deal for American families everywhere." Noting that it would put America at a competitive disadvantage and would lead to higher energy prices and job losses "for minimal benefit," Daines demanded in statements and in his resolution that Biden submit the treaty to the U.S. Senate for consideration, as required under the U.S. Constitution. Numerous other Republican lawmakers have publicly condemned Biden's move and promised to fight it as well.

In the House of Representatives, where Republicans have almost reclaimed a majority and are expected to do well in 2022 if vote fraud can be kept in check, similar efforts are under way. Representative Lauren Boebert (R-Colo.), for instance, promptly filed a bill prohibiting any funding for the UN "climate" scheme unless and until it is ratified by the U.S. Senate. "Joe Biden took an oath to uphold the U.S. Constitution," she declared. "If he wants to keep it, he must transmit the job-killing Paris Agreement to the U.S. Senate for ratification." Of course, Congress is unlikely to pass this bill, considering the current Democratic control of both houses. But until that changes, much can be







accomplished on the state level via nullification.

At the state level, policymakers are already fighting back and exploring their options. Oklahoma's Republican governor signed an executive order rejecting Biden's lawless decrees and ordering state agencies to resist (see article on page 10). And a coalition of at least half a dozen state attorneys general, including the highly influential Ken Paxton of Texas, also signed a letter promising to sue Biden and the feds over any overreach or unconstitutional policies. Lawmakers are working on nullification bills nationwide. Numerous analysts also expect lawsuits by Republicans in Congress or the states to result in a Supreme Court decision striking down U.S. government submission to the UN scheme.

#### **Climate Claims**

As if the lawlessness and destructiveness of the Paris scheme were not enough, it is important to remember that the deal does nothing for the climate — and it appears that its leading promoters understand that very well. Consider, as exhibit A, Biden's new "climate czar," John Kerry. Aside from having a carbon footprint the size of an African country by himself, the former secretary of state literally flew to Iceland on a private jet to receive his "climate leadership" award in 2019, defending the move by saying a gas-guzzling private jet is "the only choice for someone like me."

Of course, if the establishment truly believed the propaganda about  $CO_2$  being "pollution" driving "climate change," it would make no sense to shift production to  $CO_2$ -heavy China, either. Even France, the nation that hosted the UN summit where the deal was cooked up under Beijing's leadership, has failed to live up to the agreement, as determined by its own court system in early February. On February 4, a French court ruled against the French government in a suit brought by environmental groups alleging that it had not upheld its commitments. Specifically, America and some other Western nations will suffer the most under the Paris policies.

Even if one believes the pseudo-science behind the man-made global-warming alarmism amid the record cold being experienced by parts of the country, as then-U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo explained, U.S. net "greenhouse gas emissions" dropped almost 15 percent between 2005 and 2017 even as the economy grew by nearly 20 percent. Meanwhile, emissions of air pollutants that actually affect human health and the environment declined by 75 percent between 1970 and 2018, Pompeo explained, citing official data.

"We stand amongst industrialized nations as a beacon, and we did it not through state-driven, forced rule sets, but rather through creativity and innovation and good governance," Pompeo explained while on a trip to the Maldives, an island nation that fearmongers have long claimed was going to sink beneath the waves due to "climate change."

At a UN climate summit in Copenhagen, The New American asked the Maldives' then-President Mohamed Nasheed about his claims that climate change would mean his islands being submerged, compared with the actual sea-level data compiled by former UN IPCC sea-level reviewer Nils-Axel Mörner showing there was no sea-level rise taking place that threatened his nation. Nasheed refused to discuss it. "His attacks are not even worthy of a response," Nasheed told this writer before rambling on about the pope supposedly killing Galileo. That sort of response is typical of climate alarmists.

While Biden and the rest of the climate cabal claim the time for debate is over, the reality is that Americans are not convinced, and the evidence keeps stacking up against the climate hysteria. The





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absurdity of the climate alarmism was illustrated perfectly when Texas wind turbines created to stop global warming literally froze up due to record cold, leaving millions without power in sub-zero temperatures, after decades of UN warmists arguing that snow and cold winters were a thing of the past. Reality will not be going away anytime soon. For the sake of truth, liberty, prosperity, and the rule of law, the fight against the UN Paris scheme and the lies that underpin it must go on.







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