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Phasing Out Oil — or America?

DUBAI — Under the guise of saving the world from alleged man-made global warming, governments and tyrants at the UN COP28 "climate" summit last month agreed to "transition" away from fossil fuels. But don't believe the hype from the establishment media from the UN summit about a looming "phaseout" or "phase down" of hydrocarbon energy. What is really happening is a planned phaseout of the United States and the broader Western world — what used to be known as Christendom or the "Free World" — as the UN and Western leaders work to usher in what they describe as a new "multipolar" world order.



The reality of this planned phaseout of the Free World and the principles that gave birth to Christian civilization should have been clear to everyone. Several U.S. senators at the summit, including Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) and Tom Carper (D-Del.), were asked by *The New American* about the absurdity of having the U.S. government commit economic suicide to "save the climate" even as the regime ruling Communist China keeps building coal-fired power plants at an unprecedented rate. Unfortunately for Americans, the senators had few answers other than simply insisting that Beijing should follow suit after the United States jumps off the cliff into economic oblivion. Everyone — including their Deep State allies in the West pushing the agenda — knows the Chinese Communists have no intention of following suit.

Throughout the COP28 "climate" summit, the Biden administration and Western governments pledged ever-more suicidal energy policies and draconian wealth redistribution from the middle class under the guise of saving the planet. Among the many announcements was a "bold executive action" by the Biden administration on December 2 building on "more than 100 actions" taken by federal agencies in 2023 to reduce methane, the White House said. Speaking at COP28, U.S. National Climate Advisor Ali Zaidi and EPA boss Michael Regan announced EPA "final standards" to "sharply reduce methane emissions from oil and gas operations."

According to an analysis of the pledges by FreedomWorks chief economist Stephen Moore, just the Biden administration's latest methane promises — pledges that he said amount to "a de facto ban on natural-gas power plants" — will take out upwards of 60 percent of American electric power generation. "Biden is playing a dangerous game of unilateral energy disarmament," Moore explained, saying the move could "destroy the 21st century American industrial economy" as it presently exists. "If he has his way, we will jump off the cliff first in the naïve hope that China, India, Russia and Europe are right behind us."

Shutdown: Under the guise of fighting "climate change," the U.S. government is waging war on fossil

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fuels, especially coal-fired power plants such as this shuttered plant in Michigan. This could effectively end America's status as a global industrial superpower. (AP Images)



Arabs & Chinese Communists Make Oil Deals

But of course, Beijing, Moscow, and the other regimes playing along with the "climate" charade have no intention of jumping off the cliff after Western governments. In fact, in a series of leaked documents highlighted by the state-owned British broadcaster BBC and other international media, officials from the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Communist China, and other countries were exposed planning to make oil and gas deals at the UN summit. The head of the state-run Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC), Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber, actually served as president of whole UN climate summit, giving Emirati officials myriad opportunities to ink hydrocarbon deals.

According to the documents prepared by UAE's COP28 team ahead of the summit, obtained by the "Centre for Climate Reporting" working alongside the BBC, officials had "talking points" outlining some of the proposed energy dealing. For instance, one said ADNOC was hoping to "jointly evaluate international LNG [liquefied natural gas] opportunities" with Communist China in Africa and beyond. "Chinese companies are among our most strategic partners," explained the official UAE negotiating document that was leaked, noting that ADNOC did oil and gas sales of \$15 billion with the CCP over the last year.

The Arab effort to launch new hydrocarbon projects was not just aimed at courting Beijing, which is building coal-fired power plants at an unprecedented pace and already emits drastically more CO_2 than the entire Western world combined. The UAE negotiators were also hoping to meet with more than 25 other governments on oil and gas deals, according to the documents. ADNOC "stands ready" to help Colombian authorities develop their nation's "fossil fuel" resources, the documents revealed. Al Jaber was also supposed to ask Brazilian officials for help "securing alignment and endorsement" in ADNOC's bid to buy Latin America's largest oil and gas processing company. The talking points called on the COP28 president to tell officials from Saudi Arabia and Venezuela — two of the most oil-rich nations in the world — that "there is no conflict between the sustainable development of any country's natural resources and its commitment to climate change."

The news about the deals was spun by the establishment press to portray the UAE government hosting

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the climate talks in a negative light. Speaking to the BBC, which broke the story, "climate" policy expert Professor Michael Jacobs of the University of Sheffield said the revelations showed that the COP28 leadership's actions were "breathtakingly" hypocritical. "I actually think it's worse than that, because the UAE at the moment is the custodian of a United Nations process aimed at reducing global emissions," continued Jacobs. "And yet, in the very same meetings where it's apparently trying to pursue that goal, it's actually trying to do side deals which will increase global emissions."

But the real significance of the scandal was lost in the press. The real issue: Anti-energy hysteria and fraudulent solutions such as solar panels and wind turbines are being peddled by the UN and the establishment media to Western populations. More importantly, the anti-energy propaganda and policies are a tool for undermining the economies of Western nations, namely those of Europe and the United States. Communist China and other autocracies, whose emissions are all soaring with no end in sight, will continue increasing their CO_2 emissions while absorbing the productive capacity being shut down in what used to be the Free World.

Ironically, as if to confirm the trend, the next UN Framework Convention on Climate Change "Conference of the Parties" (COP29) will be held in yet another Islamic oil-producing nation, Azerbaijan. Like other "petrostates," as climate alarmist Al Gore calls them, almost half of that nation's GDP comes from hydrocarbon (oil and gas) energy. "Much like this year's host, the country of 10 million people on the border of Eastern Europe and Western Asia relies heavily on digging up fuels that heat the planet when burned," reported the U.K. *Guardian*, one of the most alarmist outlets in the world. Once again, Western governments will make suicide pledges to dismantle their critical infrastructure and wage jihad on energy, while communist and Islamist regimes make oil deals.

Right after the COP28 conference, the fact that non-Western governments have no plans to ditch reliable hydrocarbon energy was reiterated when Sultan Al Jaber vowed that ADNOC would continue investing in it. "My approach is very simple: it is that we will continue to act as a responsible, reliable supplier of low-carbon energy, and the world will need the lowest-carbon barrels [of oil] at the lowest cost," he was quoted as saying, claiming ADNOC's oil resulted in less CO₂ emissions than other oil because it was extracted more efficiently. "At the end of the day, remember, it is the demand that will decide and dictate what sort of energy source will help meet the growing global energy requirements."

In its defense, the UAE's state-owned energy giant did agree to invest in a U.K. "wind farm" project. But, of course, the project hurts Britain, not the UAE, and the only reason it is viable for investors is because of huge subsidies by British taxpayers. The scheme would never have gotten off the ground to begin with without being subsidized by wealth extracted from productive sectors and industries to prop it up. In short, it will be a net wealth destroyer for Britain, as yet more money is redistributed from struggling British taxpayers and energy consumers to foreign regimes and business interests.

British officials have tried to put a happy face on it all as they prepare to flush more taxpayer wealth down the "green energy" drain. "This is a huge boost for UK renewables, creating more jobs, helping to power three million homes and increasing our energy security," claimed U.K. Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, who is ousting conservatives from government to bring in unpopular globalists such as anti-Brexit extremist and former Prime Minister David Cameron. However, as any credible energy analyst knows, the project will end up being a net job destroyer with much higher costs and a negative impact on the reliability of the power grid.

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The Public Narrative

Oil deals aside, officially, after two weeks of negotiations, the UN "climate" summit produced the firstever global deal that calls for "transitioning away" from hydrocarbon energy — energy that still supplies more than 80 percent of the world's needs. "Whilst we didn't turn the page on the fossil fuel era in Dubai, this outcome is the beginning of the end," said UN climate czar Simon Stiell, calling the agreement a "climate action lifeline, not a finish line." Biden's climate czar John Kerry, meanwhile, said the deal "sends very strong messages to the world."

That outcome was right in line with what UN chief António Guterres, who has been affiliated with the Socialist Party his entire career and previously led the Socialist International, demanded at the start of the conference. "We cannot save a burning planet with a firehose of fossil fuels," he declared. "We must accelerate a just, equitable transition to renewables. The science is clear: The 1.5-degree limit is only possible if we ultimately stop burning all fossil fuels. Not reduce. Not abate. Phaseout — with a clear time frame aligned with 1.5 degrees."

Western media outlets all parroted the UN talking points about "nations" (governments and tyrants) striking a deal to "transition away from fossil fuels," as Reuters put it. *The New York Times* headline was similar: "In a First, Nations at Climate Summit Agree to Move Away From Fossil Fuels." Even *The Wall Street Journal*, a paper with an editorial board that has been exposing some of the fraud, ran a deceptive headline claiming "nations" at COP28 "Agree for First Time to Transition From Fossil Fuels." *Time* magazine barely concealed its glee: "World Finally Agrees to Transition Away From Fossil Fuels."

But the truth did slip out several times during the conference: There will be no "phaseout" for many of the key players. ADNOC chief Al Jaber outraged climate alarmists worldwide when he ridiculed their pseudo-scientific pronouncements. "I'm not in any way signing up to any discussion that is alarmist," he told former Irish President Mary Robinson, blasting Western media for being "biased and wrong." "There is no science out there, or no scenario out there, that says that the phase-out of fossil fuel is what's going to achieve 1.5C [degrees of supposed global warming]."

When Robinson pointed out that ADNOC was still investing "a lot more" in hydrocarbon energy, Al Jaber again hit back with truth. "Please help me, show me the roadmap for a phase-out of fossil fuel that will allow for sustainable socioeconomic development, unless you want to take the world back into caves," he added, blasting her for "pointing fingers" and "contributing to the polarization" in the world. He was exactly right: Ending fossil fuels would destroy civilization and decimate the human population. It would also do essentially nothing to change the temperature, as numerous leading scientists have explained to *The New American* over many years.

Other oil-producing Arab governments also injected a major dose of reality into the summit while undermining the UN-backed Western media narrative. Saudi Arabian Energy Minister Prince Abdulaziz bin Salman ridiculed the idea that the world would "phase out" hydrocarbon energy. "And I assure you not a single person — I'm talking about governments — believes in that," he was quoted as saying in the press, letting out facts that everyone who understands what is going on already knew. "I would like to put that challenge for all of those who … come out publicly saying we have to [phase down], I'll give you their name and number, call them and ask them how they are gonna do that. If they believe that this is the highest moral ground issue, fantastic. Let them do that themselves. And we will see how much they

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can deliver."



Keep the oil flowing: As Western governments pledged to destroy more energy infrastructure, COP28 President Sultan Al Jaber (middle) and his delegation were making oil and gas deals with communist and socialist regimes. (AP Images)

Multipolar World Order

Unfortunately, Arab truth-tellers and oil producers may not be able to save the West from Deep State elites determined to suppress energy — and therefore prosperity, security, liberty, and leadership — in the Western world. As this magazine has documented for decades, they are determined to undermine their own nations amid the push for what outfits such as the Council on Foreign Relations and the World Economic Forum have long touted as the "multipolar" world order. In fact, a decade ago, this writer warned in an article about Sino-Russian deals across Latin America that the world was being "shepherded in controlled fashion toward a new, 'multi-polar' world order featuring a neutered United States and more unaccountable 'global governance.'"

That process is accelerating. After World War II, with Europe in ruins, the United States, with around two percent of the world's population, made up more than 50 percent of global GDP. By 1960, thanks to the Marshall Plan and massive global wealth transfers from the American taxpayer and technology transfers, that share had declined to around 40 percent. Today, the U.S. economy makes up less than one-fourth of global GDP, as successive U.S. administrations and Deep State-controlled Big Businesses have deliberately transferred more and more of America's productive capacity to Communist China. The Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) economy is on the verge of overtaking the United States. That is the ultimate objective.

Late oil heir and globalist leader David Rockefeller, one of the top financiers of the "environmental" movement, was open about his views on this and his role in the process. In fact, in his autobiography *Memoirs* he boasted of his anti-American scheming. "Some even believe we are part of a secret cabal working against the best interests of the United States, characterizing my family and me as 'internationalists' and of conspiring with others around the world to build a more integrated global political and economic structure — one world, if you will," he wrote on page 405. "If that is the charge, I stand guilty, and I am proud of it."

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Perhaps even more revealing, Rockefeller — the longtime chairman of the globalist powerhouse Council on Foreign Relations and founder of the Trilateral Commission — also offered insight into his views in a 1973 op-ed for *The New York Times* under the headline "From a China Traveler." "Whatever the price of the Chinese Revolution, it has obviously succeeded, not only in producing more efficient and dedicated administration, but also in fostering a high morale and community of purpose," said Rockefeller, praising the "national harmony" and the "enormous social advances" achieved by the "singleness" of ideology. "The social experiment in China under Chairman Mao's leadership is one of the most important and successful in human history."

The World Economic Forum (WEF), which has lavished endless praise and accolades on massmurdering CCP dictator Xi Jinping and boasts of being "proud of the cooperation with China over the past four decades," famously predicted that by 2030, the United States will no longer be the world's sole superpower. In its place, multiple regimes — including China's — will play a growing role. WEF boss Klaus Schwab can barely contain his zeal for the CCP. "I respect China's achievements, which are tremendous over the last 40 years," said Schwab on CCP propaganda TV in the summer of 2023. "I think it's a role model for many countries." The "Chinese model," he added, "is quite attractive."

When asked which nation's administration he admired most, Canadian would-be dictator Justin Trudeau — a WEF "Young Global Leader," along with more than half of his Cabinet — pointed to Communist China as well. "There's a level of admiration I actually have for China, because their basic dictatorship is actually allowing them to turn their economy around on a dime," the prime minister said on camera, pointing to the brutal regime's supposed support for "solar panels" and "green" energy.

In a 2011 Obama White House statement released following Obama's meeting with then-CCP boss Hu Jintao, the then-U.S. leader expressed similar views. "The United States reiterated that it welcomes a strong, prosperous, and successful China that plays a greater role in world affairs," the statement said.

"Climate" Policy a BRIC in the NWO

In the end, the transfer of economic power to the CCP and its allies — and eventually the military supremacy that comes with economic power — is being engineered under the guise of "climate" policy. One of the keys to understanding how this is happening is to understand that what is really meant by the "transition" from traditional energy is the caveat added in the final COP28 deal — the transition should take place in a "just, orderly and equitable manner." While the terms are undefined, the meaning is clear to those in the know. Because Western nations developed first, they must take the plunge off the cliff to economic oblivion first. After all, it would be contrary to the principle of "equity" to force Communist China, Russia, South Africa, or Brazil to stop or even rein in their CO_2 emissions until long after the West has committed economic suicide. By then, it will be too late to reverse course.

As the Biden administration — and the Obama administration before it — has been shutting down power plants and energy exploration, Communist China — with the full support of Western elites — has been building CO_2 -spewing coal-fired plants like there is no tomorrow. The Chinese economy already releases drastically more CO_2 into the atmosphere than all of the Western countries combined, and that CO_2 output will only continue to increase, regardless of phony pledges the CCP's operatives may make at UN summits — and everybody knows it.

For the CCP, in addition to making energy costs far cheaper in China, the imbalance is also forcing

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Western industry to relocate there as prices of energy and regulatory compliance surge in the West. Once Western firms set up in China, their intellectual property is almost immediately stolen by the CCP, which can then use slave labor to bankrupt Western competitors. Ironically, those coal-fired plants being built across China are powering the very factories producing the economically and environmentally devastating solar panels and windmills subsidized by struggling Western taxpayers — systems that will end up imposing even higher costs on American consumers.

It is not just China. The "BRICS" regimes — Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa — are key. Each of these governments is the anchor of its respective European Union-style regional government. And together, the BRICS have repeatedly issued declarations calling for a new, multipolar world order with a radically empowered UN, a global currency, and all the same general features long sought by Deep State globalists in the West.

Economic expansion: As Europe and North America reduce their fossil-fuel use, BRICS nations such as Russia and China, and now Saudi Arabia and Iran, are increasing production and use of coal, oil, and gas. The West could be left behind. (AP Images)



The Kremlin has been at the forefront of this too, in several respects. In a series of exclusive reports, *The New American* exposed that various "green" climate lobbying organizations are actually receiving major funding from the Russian government and its state-controlled oil industry, especially Gazprom. According to congressional investigators, the Kremlin was funneling money through a shell company in Bermuda called Klein Limited to the Sea Change Foundation.

This "pass through" outfit, which helps conceal the source of funds being distributed to various far-left organizations, then distributed the money to "green" organizations in the West. Among other policies, many of these organizations advocate an end to energy extraction and development in the Western world — especially in the United States, which possesses enormous oil, gas, and coal resources that could make the U.S. economy a massive net exporter of energy practically overnight, as President Donald Trump demonstrated.

Operatives from some of the groups receiving funding through Sea Change, such as the Environmental Defense Fund, were actually involved in the Biden administration's Fifth National Climate Assessment. When asked about it by *The New American* at an event at the COP28 summit, the two primary authors and coordinators of the controversial report deflected and offered non-answers to the question as other

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journalists in the room giggled.

After the event, when asked by *The New American* about three recently published peer-reviewed studies by Dr. Willie Soon and dozens of other scientists worldwide attributing observed warming to the "urban heat island effect" and changes in solar activity, Molly Hellmuth, who led the international chapter of Biden's Fifth National Climate Assessment, said she was not aware of them. Even the chairman of the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's Working Group 1 has cited Dr. Soon's work on urban heat islands, so having top U.S. government "climate" experts not knowing about the studies would be bizarre.

The Future: U.S. or CCP-style NWO?

When flying to the conference after sundown over the Arabian Peninsula, all that was visible were bright flames scattered as far as the eye could see across the dark expanse — oil wells producing energy to power homes, businesses, tractors, ships, trucks, and all the other systems that make life possible for eight billion people on the planet. Unfortunately for Americans and those in the West, the flow of that precious energy is rapidly changing direction away from the once-great Christian nations of the West that built civilization and have blessed the lives of so many billions of people.

Instead, if Americans do not stop Biden, the EU, and the UN, that energy will flow toward massmurdering regimes, such as the CCP, that are based on principles of government more compatible with what globalists call the "New World Order." Bill Gates, Schwab, Rockefeller, George Soros, Henry Kissinger, Trudeau, and countless other Western "leaders" have openly told the world they view Communist China as the model of the future: totalitarian in every respect. That is what awaits the entire world, at least if the West is murdered by its own leaders by cutting off the energy needed to survive using this UN "climate" fraud as a pretext.

But it is not too late to prevent the death of the West and the emergence of this nightmarish, CCP-style "New World Order." As Donald Trump showed, the United States can rapidly become energy independent and even a net exporter of energy simply by getting the federal government's boot off Americans' necks. Ending the deliberate war on America and the deliberate building up of hostile foreign powers such as the CCP is as simple as cutting off the funding for it in the U.S. House of Representatives. The "climate" scam was never about climate. It was always about ending freedom. Americans must stop this fraud before the fraud ends US.



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