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UN Climate Summit Fails on Binding Treaty, But Danger Remains

Meanwhile, as the official "[science](#)" continues to [crumble](#) amid [colder temperatures](#) and [lower sea levels](#), critics of UN global-warming theories [warned](#) that the foundation was being laid for a dangerous global regime with dire consequences for everyone on Earth. And some progress toward the goal was made in Durban.

Experts said the emerging scheme — to be finalized in the coming years — aims to produce a world government and reduce living standards worldwide. The proposed regime would stifle economic activity and extract ever more wealth from populations while doing absolutely nothing at all to prevent what are essentially natural climate variations, according to [critics](#) and [scientists](#).



After running over their scheduled time by more than 36 hours, exhausted "negotiators" representing more than 190 regimes — mostly dictatorships — agreed to work out an enforceable treaty by 2015. The global climate regime would enter into force some five years after that.

The UN called the deal a "historic breakthrough to save the planet." Essentially it commits governments to continue working toward binding global emissions reductions while erecting a \$100 billion per year "Green Climate Fund." The wealth-transfer mechanism would use taxpayer money taken from the Western world to fund UN bureaucracies and various dictatorships that succeed in keeping their subjects poor.

"What the governments of rich countries are saying to poor countries is: 'Those of you who are best at causing poverty, we will enrich you, we will give you money,'" [explained](#) Leon Louw, executive director of South Africa's influential Free Market Institute. "Government to government aid is a reward for being better than anyone else at causing poverty.... If you subsidize failure you get failure, and foreign aid does exactly that."

Meanwhile, the 1997 Kyoto Protocol, the only real agreement purporting to limit "emissions" in some rich countries, essentially went down in flames — for now. The European Union entity unilaterally agreed to extend restrictions on its population for five years. But key nations like Russia and Japan will no longer be bound under the scheme, and Americans never were after the U.S. Senate refused to ratify it.

But while the talks appeared headed for total collapse throughout much of the conference, governments scrambled to get something down on paper before the clock ran out. And despite criticism from environmental extremists for not "saving" the world, the new deal reached in Durban still helps to lay



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the foundation of an extraordinarily dangerous and powerful world government under the auspices of the UN, according to Margaret Thatcher's former Science Advisor Lord Christopher Monckton.

Citing a draft of the [agreement](#), the long-time critic of UN theories said the global body was in the process of erecting an anti-Western "International Climate Court of Justice" while purporting to establish "rights" for "Mother Earth." And it gets worse.

"The contents of this document ... are not just off the wall — they are lunatic," Monckton [wrote](#), breaking down key points in the agreement. "The real lunacy comes in the small print — all of it in 8-point type, near-illegibly printed on grubby, recycled paper. Every fashionable leftist idiocy is catered for."

The document asserts, for example, that concentrations of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere must be slashed by almost half from their current levels. Such a target, if achieved, Monckton noted, could cause starvation of trees and other plants — all of which require life-giving CO2 to survive.

The UN agreement also called more and more climate loot to be seized from citizens in "rich" countries while demanding an end to war, temperature increases, sea level changes, bad weather, and more.

"It does not seem to have occurred to the Druids of the UN that they have near-totally failed to prevent wars on Earth — the original purpose for which it was founded," Monckton commented. "Yet now, in their gibbering, spastic arrogance, they think to command the weather. [Canute](#), thou shouldst be living at this hour!"

Monckton concluded that "agreement among the inmates in the Durban asylum is a long way off." However, despite the growing [Climategate 2.0 e-mail scandal](#) and increasing defections of scientists — [many of whom](#) have been associated with the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) — the danger is far from over.

Still, supporters of UN theories and the "solutions" to the alleged problems could not even agree on whether the planet had been saved or doomed in Durban. "We have saved planet earth for the future of our children and our great grand children to come. We have made history," [claimed](#) the president of the UN climate talks, South African Foreign Minister Mate Nkoana-Mashabane.

But like-minded supporters of UN control over the world under the guise of fighting "climate change" did not see it that way. "They haven't reached a real deal," said Samantha Smith of WWF International. "They watered things down so everyone could get on board."

Representatives of the Brussels-based EU regime pushed hard for a so-called concrete "road map" to a legally binding global treaty. But negotiators for other governments expressed reluctance to sign on. "Am I to write a blank check and sign away the livelihoods and sustainability of 1.2 billion Indians, without even knowing what the EU 'road map' contains?" [wondered](#) Indian Environment Minister Jayanthi Natarajan.

Indeed, representatives of various governments and tyrannical dictatorships spent plenty of time squabbling over minor points in the plan. Tyrants ruling over impoverished slaves demanded more Western taxpayer money in exchange for continuing to cooperate. Western governments seeking new revenue streams, meanwhile, insisted on ensuring that poor people in less-developed nations would never have the opportunity to lift themselves out of poverty — making them far more vulnerable to any natural changes in climate.

But in the end, all of the climate "dignitaries" were finally able to agree to a document committing them



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to keep perpetuating the global-warming “charade,” as critics refer to the alarmism. Even negotiators representing the communist dictatorship ruling mainland China, originally very hesitant to impose emission limits on the regime's strictly controlled subjects, ended up agreeing to the so-called deal at the last minute.

The press was also swooning over the fact that U.S. government “climate envoy” Todd Stern signed up the federal government. What nearly every media outlet failed to mention, however, is that treaties must be approved by the U.S. Senate. And senior Senators such as Sen. James Inhofe (R-Okla.) say there is absolutely no chance that alarmists will be able to muster two-thirds of the Senate to ratify any UN global-warming agreement.

But while the COP17 was largely ignored or ridiculed worldwide, the threat of a global carbon regime is not dead yet, experts warned. As longtime UN climate-summit monitor and Eagle Forum Sovereignty & Security chair Cathie Adams reported, despite Durban’s failure to produce a binding treaty, the UN’s tentacles are [still spreading](#).

Hundreds of new self-perpetuating “climate” bureaucracies under UN auspices are popping up all over the world — often entangling local governments. And climate bureaucrats are still working fiendishly to get a steady revenue source through international taxation schemes.

Of course, with trillions of dollars at stake, alarmists on the government climate dole will not surrender without a tough fight. But with UN climate theories becoming [increasingly discredited](#), critics of the global plans [remain](#) largely optimistic.

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