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Philippines Rejects “Stupid” UN Climate Deal; Globalists Freak

Internationalists and climate alarmists are freaking out after the new president of the Philippines, firebrand Rodrigo Duterte (shown), blasted the [controversial United Nations “climate” regime](#) and vowed to ignore its restrictions on his nation. Now there is a full-blown global campaign to beat him into submission. Duterte’s explosive statements this week vowing not to honor what he called the UN’s “stupid” emissions demands, which he said were designed to “stifle us,” sparked major concerns among pro-UN types around the world that other governments might follow the island nation’s lead. Those concerns about a mass “Clexit” — national exits from the UN “climate” scheme — are probably justified.



Indeed, Duterte’s comments [follow similar statements from GOP presidential contender Donald Trump](#), another anti-establishment political leader who promised to “cancel” the UN deal upon taking office. According to even notoriously unreliable polls, Trump, who has previously referred to the global-warming theory as a “hoax,” is basically tied with pro-UN Democrat Hillary Clinton in the race for the White House. America should never give “foreign bureaucrats control over how much energy we use,” the GOP contender declared, promising to eliminate all U.S. taxpayer funding for UN “global warming” schemes and the “draconian” climate rules. Trump’s comments sounded very similar those made by Duterte.

Ironically, perhaps, federal law [now officially prohibits the U.S. government from funding the UN bureaucracy](#) in charge of overseeing the “climate” regime and its international wealth redistribution schemes. So even under a potential President Hillary Clinton, unless Congress changes the law, there will be no legal way to funnel U.S. taxpayer wealth into the UN regime — essentially killing the agreement, which was contingent on huge bribes offered by Obama to Third World governments. And even without a President Trump, the chance that two thirds of the U.S. Senate will vote to ratify the economy-crippling, sovereignty-smashing UN agreement is close to zero, according to high-ranking senators who have also called the global-warming theory a “hoax.”

Speaking on July 18 at the Malacanang Palace, Duterte said the government of the Philippines would not ratify the UN pseudo-treaty despite his predecessors signature on the scheme. The previous government had agreed to slash emissions of CO₂ — [also known to scientists as the gas of life](#) — by 70 percent from 2000 levels by the year 2030. In exchange for the economy-retarding restrictions on energy use, the government in Manila was supposed to receive massive amounts of funding extracted from middle-class Western taxpayers. But now, Duterte, who took office last month, has blown it all up.



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"I will not honor that," he said.

Formally known as the ["Paris Agreement,"](#) the deal, negotiated last year, purports to mandate massive cuts in CO2 emissions to be determined by national governments, along with draconian powers for international and regional institutions to allocate carbon dioxide rations to humanity. The UN scheme is also dependent on trillions in wealth redistribution, with globalist-controlled Western governments promising governments of poorer nations huge bribes if they signed on. However, the Paris Agreement appears to be imploding even before it comes into force, with the Duterte's pledge and the Brexit vote representing only the most recent devastating blows to the UN plan.

Pointing at the 800-pound gorilla in the room that everybody sees but nobody wants to talk about, Duterte also argued that those pushing the UN "climate" regime were trying to control and stifle poorer nations. Governments of industrialized nations are "dictating the destiny" of developing nations by trying to bribe and bludgeon them into slashing the CO2 emissions of those they rule. While developed nations enjoyed a "booming" economy and got "rich because of coal and industrialization, we are being asked to cut emission and limit our activities," he said. "That is stupid."

Now that developing countries are starting to develop, the UN and other governments want to stop it by limiting poorer nations' prospects, the president argued. "We have not reached the age of industrialization. We are going into it. But you are trying to [cite the UN] agreement that will impose limitations on us. We maintain the present emissions," he declared, calling the globalist effort to shackle poor nations "stupid" and "absurd." "Now that we are about to develop, you will set limits... So that is how very constricted our lives are now. It's being controlled by the world. It's being imposed upon us by the industrialized countries. They think that they can dictate the destiny of the rest of the nations."

When an ambassador told the Filipino president that the previous government had agreed to the UN regime, Duterte recalled speaking unambiguously. "That was not my signature," he pointed out. "Somebody else's, not mine." Indeed, the leader had harsh words for the official. "I'm mad at this ambassador," he said, blasting as "nonsense" the UN-demanded limits on CO2 emissions for his country. "I want to kick him." Duterte, who is hardly diplomatic in his criticism, previously accused the UN of being "hypocrites" for trying to limit energy production and consumption by poorer nations. More recently, he blasted richer governments as "oligarchs" trying to oppress others and live at their expense.

Globalists and climate alarmists were not amused, and promptly scrambled to put pressure on Duterte to reconsider his position. Either way though, in the Philippines, Congress must vote to ratify the deal, something that media outlets reported was uncertain — especially in light of Duterte's pledge to ignore it. Indeed, even in dictatorships, the "legislatures" are mostly required to approve the deal, despite Obama's outlandish claim that in the United States the pseudo-treaty does not need to be ratified by the Senate, as required for all treaties by the U.S. Constitution. News reports have suggested Obama is planning to issue an "executive order" in place of actual ratification.

The day after Duterte's comments, which sparked headlines around the world, UN boss Ban Ki Moon called for a "special event" at which governments and dictators worldwide would formally approve the shackling of their peoples to the UN's "climate" regime. "I urge you to accelerate your country's domestic process for ratification of the Agreement this year," [said](#) Ban, who has started referring to the dictators club he leads as the ["Parliament of Humanity."](#) Globalists are claiming that if enough governments and dictators "ratify" the scheme, it will be impossible to stop. That is, of course,



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ridiculous, despite the claims of tax-funded “green” groups, UN bosses, and bureaucrats.

While globalists were freaking out, opponents of the UN’s scheming and of “climate” alarmism celebrated the news. Prominent climate realist Marc Morano, for example, who produced the movie [Climate Hustle](#), was [quoted in media reports](#) saying that some countries were waking up to the fact that the UN scheme was not in their best interests. “More and more nations are realizing that the UN climate treaty is nothing more than an effort to empower the UN and attack national sovereignty while doing absolutely nothing for the climate,” he said, adding that the “time has come for a U.S.-led ‘Clexit’ from ... the climate treaty.”

Indeed, with the UN global-warming regime threatening to empower internationalist extremists over every aspect of life, it is urgent that Americans get to work. Fortunately, though, the entire foundation of the scheme is built on quicksand: The global-warming theory underpinning the effort is now a global laughingstock, the deal will not be ratified by the U.S. Senate, [federal law bars U.S. funding of the scheme](#), and even if the [discredited theory were true \(it’s not\)](#), the UN deal would do practically nothing to stop “climate change.” Crushing the dangerous UN “climate” regime can and must be done. Americans can thank Duterte for helping lead the way.

Photo of President Rodrigo Duterte: AP Images

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