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Global Warming? No. Global Climate Disruption? Yes!

Forced to contend with the reality that global warming is not a man-made phenomenon that will ultimately result in catastrophe, President Obama's Science Czar John Holdren has turned away from terms like "global warming" and "climate change" and has instead targeted the newest threat to the globe: "global climate disruption."

Addressing the clear attempt at repacking an old concept under a new title, England's *Telegraph* joked, "That way whether it gets warmer or colder, wetter or drier, less climatically eventful or more climatically eventful, the result will be the same: it can all be put down to 'global climate disruption.'"



Obama's Science Czar could not very well allow the issue of climate change to die, as it would thwart efforts to pass tyrannical measures like the 2007 Energy Independence and Security Act, which regulates virtually every product produced in America, and Cap and Trade, a system that punishes thriving industrial economies by imposing a tax for the massive use of carbon. For Holdren, the solutions do not end there. According to the 1973 book *Human Ecology: Global Problems and Solutions*, which Holdren co-authored, he has long supported government population control, by any means necessary, and the destruction of the American economy.

It was during <u>a lecture</u> given by Holdren to the Kavli Prize Symposium on September 6 that Holdren first coined the expression "global climate disruption." During the lecture, Holdren discussed a variety of aspects related to global climate disruption. He summed up the focus of his speech by explaining, "The problem is that the world is getting most of the energy its economies need in ways that are wrecking the climate its environment needs." Holdren refuted claims that the Earth is no longer warming as a myth, and described the phenomenon as "highly uniform, not just about temperature, rapid compared to capacities for adjustment, and harmful for most places and times."

At the start of his lecture, Holdren explained the transition from "global warming" to "global climate disruption": "Climate change means disruption of the patterns. Global average temperature is just an index of the state of the global climate as expressed in these patterns. Small changes in the index [lead to] big changes in the patterns."

Proceeding with the same tired data often used to "prove" that global warming exists, Holdren outlined what he believed to be the globe's only three options: mitigation, adaptation, and suffering.

Mitigation, according to Holdren, involves taking the necessary steps to reduce the pace and magnitude of the global climate disruption, including reducing greenhouse gases and soot from the energy sector, reducing deforestation, modifying agricultural practices, "scrubbing" greenhouse gases from the atmosphere, and "geo-engineering" to create cooling effects.

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Adaptation involves methods that help humans cope by reducing "the adverse impacts on human wellbeing resulting from the changes in climate that do occur." This includes measures like changing cropping patterns, strengthening public health and environmental engineering defenses against tropical diseases, and building water projects for flood control.

Holdren asserts that "suffering" is the last option, as it involves failure to mitigate and adapt.

The Science Czar continued by describing measures taken by the Obama administration to tackle the issue of global warming, including government propaganda, placing "climate-change leaders in key positions," taking the initiative by attempting to pass measures that target climate change, most notably Cap and Trade, and creating a global economy that allows the United States to work with other nations to reduce emissions of carbon.

Holdren also described how the United States has used taxpayer dollars to create a variety of agencies that would target climate change, including the Green Cabinet, Climate-Change Adaptation Task Force, and the U.S. Global Change Research Program (USGCRP), which has created the Global Change Research Act that proposed "coordination of a comprehensive integrated United States research program which will assist the Nation and the world to understand, assess, predict, and respond to human-induced and natural processes of global change." According to Holdren, the budget for the USGCRP has increased dramatically within the past 10 years.

He concluded his lecture with the following bullets:

- President Obama was emphatic that new U.S. energy legislation should include climate, above all a price on carbon emissions [Cap and Trade]
- The climate component was reluctantly and temporarily abandoned because of insufficient support in the U. S. Senate
- We will try anew in the next Congress; in the meantime, EPA is moving ahead to control greenhouse gas emissions by regulation

Despite the Left's efforts to increase the public's interest in climate change, and acquire support for climate-change legislation, a July poll commissioned by the Institute for Energy Research found that 70 percent of Americans reject Cap and Trade, even though the poll was conducted in the midst of the British Petroleum oil spill. An August Rasmussen Report poll shows that 61 percent of Americans support finding a new source of energy over reduction of energy consumption. Likewise, a 2010 Pew Research Center for the People and Press poll found that Americans ranked the issue of global warming last in their list of top priorities that the government should tackle.

It seems that no matter how the Green Czars attempt to package global warming and the solutions to combat it, Americans overwhelmingly reject it.



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