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Obama Promotes Leonardo DiCaprio Climate-change Film at White House Event

On October 3, President Obama schmoozed with actor Leonardo DiCaprio on the South Lawn of the White House, telling DiCaprio: "We're really in a race against time," to prevent what he perceives as the worst affects of climate change.

Obama's remarks came in the midst of a day-long fair and musical event that led up to the U.S. premiere of *Before the Flood*, a National Geographic documentary on climate change that DiCaprio starred in and produced with the admitted goal of influencing public opinion on the issue of climate change.



The movie premiere was preceded by an hour-long panel discussion, where DiCaprio introduced both the president and Dr. Katharine Hayhoe, director of the Climate Science Center at Texas Tech University. During the introductions, DiCaprio revealed his agenda by stating that he and director Fisher Stevens wanted their film "to be released before this upcoming election because after firsthand experiencing the devastating impacts of climate change worldwide, we, like many of you here today, realize that urgent action must be taken."

"This moment is more important than ever. We must empower leaders who not only believe in climate change but are willing to do something about it," DiCaprio was quoted as saying by the *Washington Post*. "The scientific consensus is in, and the argument is now over. If you do not believe in climate change, you do not believe in facts, or in science, or empirical truths, and therefore, in my humble opinion, should not be allowed to hold public office."

However, DiCaprio's assertion that "the scientific consensus is in, and the argument is now over" contradicts the views of many respected environmental scientists who have stated that climate change (whether warming or cooling) is a natural cyclical occurrence and is not attributable to anthropogenic (human) causes.

The New American has published numerous articles citing statements from scientists who maintain that even natural global warming has reversed itself during recent years and what warming has occurred is reflective of the Earth's natural climatic cycles. While space permits only a brief sampling of such articles, one of the most comprehensive was "<u>Meet the Climate Realists</u>," published last January, which compiled "a short sampling of the tens of thousands of rational and reputable scientists who maintain an unbiased skepticism toward AGW [anthropogenic global warming], even at the risk of acquiring the career-jeopardizing slur of 'denier.'"

Among the scientists profiled in that article were:

• Richard Lindzen, Ph.D, emeritus professor of meteorology at MIT, and a leading expert on climate



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dynamics and global heat transport. Lindzen has expressed his opinion of human-caused catastrophic global warming quite plainly: "It's just nonsense," he stated at a November climate summit hosted by the Texas Public Policy Foundation. "Demonization of CO2 is irrational at best, and even modest warming is mostly beneficial."

• Patrick Moore, Ph.D, who co-founded Greenpeace in 1971, and spent the next 15 years as a director of Greenpeace International, earning a worldwide reputation as an environmental leader. However, Moore parted ways with Greenpeace over a scandal that ensued when the organization convinced some Latin American countries to remove chlorine" from their drinking water, resulting in a cholera epidemic in 1991. At a recent Texas Public Policy Foundation climate summit, Moore declared, "Let's celebrate CO2!" He called it "the foundation of life on earth" and pointed out that "the deserts are greening from rising CO2."

• Art Robinson, Ph.D, the co-founder of the Oregon Institute of Science and Medicine and editor of the monthly newsletter *Access to Energy*. He is a member of the Global Warming Petition Project, which produced a document signed by 31,000 U.S. scientists. The document states, in part:

There is no convincing scientific evidence that human release of carbon dioxide, methane, or other greenhouse gases is causing or will, in the foreseeable future, cause catastrophic heating of the Earth's atmosphere and disruption of the Earth's climate. Moreover, there is substantial scientific evidence that increases in atmospheric carbon dioxide produce many beneficial effects upon the natural plant and animal environments of the Earth.

A review of the "related articles" listed below will provide many more examples of respected scientists disagreeing with the "climate change" establishment, which predicts disastrous global warming and rising seas if the world's industrial operations continue to emit "greenhouse gasses."

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