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Subject: The Bush Administration Distorts Science to fit its agenda

Posted by [Gizbotvas](#) on Thu, 04 Mar 2004 21:47:31 GMT

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Does it surprise you to learn that the Bush administration lies and manipulates you at every turn? It really shouldn't. Clinton was great at spinning the truth, but the Bush administration spins like a Dradel in a centrifuge.

According the Union of Concerned Scientists, a group led by 60 prominent Scientists (20 of whom are Nobel Prize winners and 19 of whom are winners of the National Medal of Science) has this to say about the Pope denouncing Galileo.. er I mean, about Bush manipulating current science to fit his agenda.

censoring scientific findings that contradict its policies; manipulating the underlying science to align results with predetermined political decisions; and undermining the independence of science advisory panels by subjecting panel nominees to political litmus tests that have little or no bearing on their expertise; nominating non-experts or underqualified individuals from outside the scientific mainstream or with industry ties; as well as disbanding science advisory committees altogether.

UCS Statement

The UCS full report

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/usa/story/0,1227...1151187,00.html>

<http://www.nola.com/news/t-p/index.ssf?/ba...87160101560.xml>

<http://www.dfw.com/mld/dfw/news/opinion/8093990.htm>

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/science/nature/3502867.stm>

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For the last time GW... The Earth goes around the SUN!

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GizbotvasFor the last time GW... The Earth goes around the SUN!

But it is flat, right?

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Bush is bad.

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And this surprises anyone that the President does this. They a history of this.

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<http://renegade.the-pitts.net/index.php?act=ST&f=26&t=6767&s=19392f1ae4125b0b62c60d8864be1d16>

More on this topic here.

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haremanAnd this surprises anyone that the President does this. They a history of this.

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<http://www.nola.com/news/t-p/index.ssf?/ba...87160101560.xml>  
<http://www.dfw.com/mld/dfw/news/opinion/8093990.htm>  
<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/science/nature/3502867.stm>

The first two articles are editorials and mean absolutely nothing.  
The third article is biased.  
The reuters article didn't even load correctly, so I couldn't read it.  
The BBC article is really the only credible article you have posted there, and even THAT is a little

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biased, though not as prevalent as the others.

The report itself is a joke. You said it was written by scientists? Nobel prize-winning ones, at that? You'd think a Nobel prize-winning scientist can write a concise report about the problems it's dealing with :rolleyes:. Half of the report is made up of crap like, UCS report, page 7, first paragraph  
Researchers at the National Weather Service gather and analyze meteorological data to know when to issue severe-weather advisories.  
Specialists at the Federal Reserve Board collect and analyze economic data to determine when to raise or lower interest rates  
Well no fuckin' duh! Can you get to your point, PLEASE??? But no, crap like that goes on for pages and pages. Not until page 11 does it even BEGIN to make its case against the Bush administration. What you've learned up to that point is, "The Bush administration lies!" That statement is restated over and over again in many different ways. Oh no, they wouldn't add any evidence to support that conviction within the first three pages of writing now, would they?

And the point made on page 11 is crap, too. It's about the farce called "global warming." Here's a priceless quote, found on page 12:  
UCS report  
The deletion of a temperature record covering 1,000 years in order to, according to the EPA

has been an increase in the average temperature of the world? :rolleyes:  
Accurate temperature recording didn't start until about 100 years ago, if I remember correctly what my biology teacher told me.  
Even if there were accurate temperature recordings of the last 1000 years, what's to say global warming is not a natural process of the earth? 1000 years is barely the blink of an eye, geologically speaking.  
If I'm not mistaken, about thirty years ago, all of the eco-terrorists and tree-hugging hippies were afraid of global cooling, saying if humans kept on doing whatever it was they were mad about that the world would be plunged into another ice age. :rolleyes:  
Here's an article explaining the truth about global warming.

Did I mention the evidence used in the report consisted mostly of biased and opinionated documents?

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Posted by [warranto](#) on Sun, 07 Mar 2004 02:55:32 GMT  
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Uhh.. you do realize that by studying weather patterns, etc, temperatures for the past 1000+ years can be identified? Maybe not to highly accurate standards, but can still be done.

And by the way, global warming is definately a reality. Maybe not to the current expectations as

scientists are predicting or currently hold, but still happening. Think of it this way (sentence fragment warning): Ozone absorbs UV radiation, preventing it from reaching the earth. Ozone layer is being depleted. More radiation reaches the earth's surface. This radiation is what causes the Earth's surface to heat in the first place, hence more radiation means more heating. Has there been a great change in recent times? No. Can there be if more-all the ozone is depleted? Yes.

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Posted by [Crimson](#) on Sun, 07 Mar 2004 09:40:05 GMT

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There's also a natural depletion of the ozone layer certain times of the year when part of the earth is facing away from the sun for several weeks. Without sunlight, the ozone depletes.

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Posted by [warranto](#) on Sun, 07 Mar 2004 23:37:31 GMT

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Didn't know that, but like I stated, the lack of ozone will cause a change in temperature, even if during the winter months it's negligible. It's the over-time condition I'm trying to emphasize, not the right-now condition. Right now "Global Warming" might not be as bad as people are saying it is, but over time, if trends continue, it can be.

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Posted by [Hydra](#) on Mon, 08 Mar 2004 01:03:33 GMT

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Seasons of the sun

The author of the article (posted above) Most people think of the sun as a featureless, unchanging ball of light. But the Sun actually has seasons, or cycles of activity and relative inactivity. Right now, we are approaching the maximum activity phase of the current solar cycle. The Sun is daily exhibiting many sunspots, flares and coronal mass ejections. We feel the effects of an active Sun here on Earth - radio communications, power distribution, orbiting spacecraft and even the weather are all affected.

Isn't it possible all of the warm temperatures we have been experiencing over the past few years could have been a result of increased activity of the sun? More than likely.

"Global warming" is not caused by the industrialization of human beings. It is merely a natural process.

And if the earth is heating up, then why did we have one of the coldest winters in a LONG time just last year? Pretty much everywhere in the United States was covered in snow, and Denver got around 7 feet of snow. Now, could it have gotten that much snow if the average temperature of the earth was increasing? :rolleyes:

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Posted by [IRON FART](#) on Wed, 10 Mar 2004 06:18:28 GMT

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Quote:

And if the earth is heating up, then why did we have one of the coldest winters in a LONG time just last year? Pretty much everywhere in the United States was covered in snow, and Denver got around 7 feet of snow. Now, could it have gotten that much snow if the average temperature of the earth was increasing?

Thats right. The snow here in Cali was incredible. I had never seen anything like it.

</sarcasm>

It rained for 2 weeks. Thats all. I wouldn't call it the worst seing as the previous year it rained way more, and there were very violent winds.

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Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 10 Mar 2004 07:59:34 GMT

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some interesting facts about ozone depletion...

<http://www.faqs.org/faqs/ozone-depletion/>

keep in mind though, it's not solar radiation (what comes in) that heats the atmosphere, it's terrestrial radiation (what goes out) that does. So it's not so much the Ozone being depleted that affects the temperature trends the greatest (all it means is that more solar radiation can make it in), it's everything else that keeps the radiation in that does the work. This is (at least one reason) why Carbon Dioxide emissions are deemed to be so harmful.

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Posted by [NHJ BV](#) on Wed, 10 Mar 2004 10:15:41 GMT

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Europe had the warmest summer in about a century. The winter has been average so far.

Predictions are that temperatures will rise a few degrees (0.7 to 3.5 degrees Celsius) the next 50 years, and the sea level will rise 20-30 centimeters the next century. These increases are, IIRC, the second-largest figures ever measured. I believe some of it is natural (we're in an interglacial), but human actions certainly makes it worse.

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Posted by [NHJ BV](#) on Wed, 10 Mar 2004 12:57:51 GMT

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CrimsonThere's also a natural depletion of the ozone layer certain times of the year when part of the earth is facing away from the sun for several weeks. Without sunlight, the ozone depletes.

However, the ozone layer has been falling apart since at least 1980. A bit more or less ozone during different parts of the year doesn't matter here.

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Posted by [K9Trooper](#) on Wed, 10 Mar 2004 17:11:08 GMT

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If you ever looked at the history of the world there have been 3 major Ice Ages.

Between about 800 and 600 million years ago

Between about 460 and 430 million years ago (This one is debated on being a "True Ice Age")

Between about 350 and 250 million years ago

and

the last 4 million years.

IMO and I stress that this is an opinion I feel the effects of global warming are part of a natural cycle and we are nearing the "True end" of the Neogene to Quaternary Ice Age.

Sure things we do to the enviroment may effect it, but none the less it will continue with or without the artificial depletion of ozone.

As for the Bush being responsible or not careing. Clinton didn't do a whole lot either. Do you really think you can pin the enviromental problems on one person or political party?

Take a look at programs that were started by Roosevelt, Truman, Kennedy and Johnson. So don't try and point your gange stained fingures at one person/party. Remember your Democrates do have the power to override or create laws. Last time I looked the Democrates found a real nice way to avoid a ban on soft money for political advertisments.

<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/4491379/>

If they are clever enough to do that, they should be clever enough to do something about the enviroment but they won't. They will only do just enough to make it look good on paper. If the Democrates created laws like they promiss. the UAW would be out of work because of the extrem restrictions that would be implemented on factories.

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Posted by [Vitaminous](#) on Wed, 10 Mar 2004 22:10:16 GMT

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Snowy outside for 2 months and a half, we're in March and the snow is melting, 3/4 of it has already melted.

Normally the snow is melting by the end of March here.

+ Since the water was being abnormal, there were lots and lots of floods.

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## Global Warming

The earliest accurate temperature readings started in 1602, when Galileo invented the mercury thermometer. Most official temperature readings are at places like airports, so does a higher temperature tell you about climate or about the effect of paving rural landscapes?

In 1979, when the satellite record began, there has been no discernible global warming, despite predictions from computer models. In fact, the data actually show a slight cooling.

The climate is something that changes all the time, and any scientist knows that it is normal for a climate to change. What scares some scientists is that the recent change in temperature is happening at an unusually rapid rate. However, data on oxygen isotopes in ice and sea-floor cores indicate that the temperature in Greenland changed 7 degrees in as little as twenty years! This would be the equivalent of going from Boston weather to Miami weather in two decades.

## Ozone Depletion

It is true that chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), make their way, because of their high stability, up to the ozone layer. There they react with sunlight to produce chlorine, which acts as a catalyst to break up ozone molecules.

CFCs have been banned in most countries, however. So what accounts for the ozone hole over Antarctica? Well, this happens because Antarctica is the coldest place on the planet. During Antarctica's long nights, polar stratospheric clouds (PSC), made of tiny ice crystals, form high up in the ozone layer. Most chlorine in the atmosphere is taken up into molecules of hydrochloric acid deposits on the surface of the ice crystals, and chemical reactions take place that form chlorine oxide (ClO). Chlorine oxide does not break up ozone molecules by itself, but in the presence of sunlight, it dissociates to form ordinary chlorine, which can disrupt the ozone.

During Antarctic winter, then, the supply of chlorine oxide builds up and there is no sunlight to get rid of it. When the sun returns in the spring, the chlorine oxide breaks up, freeing the chlorine. The result is a burst of ozone destruction--this is what causes the ozone hole. So yes, Crimson was correct.

Source: "From Quarks to Atoms." James Trefil

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Posted by [IRON FART](#) on Fri, 12 Mar 2004 23:38:02 GMT

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Quote:

However, data on oxygen isotopes in ice and sea-floor cores indicate that the temperature in Greenland changed 7 degrees in as little as twenty years!

7 degrees.....what unit?

And for 20 years that may not be a large amount, but the reason its becoming a threat is because there is growing air pollution. The long term affect (like 100 years) is very great.

I read a while ago in school that the world's temerature was rising by 1 degrees celsius every year. In the short term this is again, nothing. But in about 100 years or so, things will be different.

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1 degree celsius doesn't seem quite right...that's an ENORMOUS temperature change over such a small period of time. If that followed, in 60 years most parts of the world would be boiling hot.

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