Madame President,

Apocalypse? NO!

Fridays for Future recently sent a list of demands to EU leaders about global warming. In response, here are our requests (unlike the campaigners, we do not make “demands”). Coercion is the instrument of the totalitarian. Our objective is freedom!

Stop corrupting the goodwill and hope of the people by pressuring us with panic. Stop pretending that modest natural changes in the weather changes constitute an emergency. Stop putting the blame on the people whose contributions to the improvement of life on Earth have been immeasurably beneficial in the industrial age.

The democratic, free-market civilization of the West flourishes because we uphold liberty as our highest virtue. It is a sacred accomplishment for which we ought to be grateful. We should not destroy the fruits of our philosophical, political and technological progress.

These, then are the steps essential to preserving our achievements and advancing our civilization.

1. Stop worshipping the voices of frantic children whom you have indoctrinated into a state of eco-depression. Innocent souls turned into terrified puppets lack the rationality, education or scientific knowledge to evaluate the real impact of “climate change”. Hundreds of clear-thinking scientists and researchers join me in sending you this letter pointing out that using coal, oil and gas is net-beneficial. I have not invited mere celebrities to side with us and support our cause, for it is scientists who should be heeded first and foremost. What does the average star of stage and screen know about climate science?

2. Stop wasting outrageous amounts of taxpayer money on “investments” and overt or concealed subsidies that irresponsibly replace affordable base-load coal, oil and gas with costly, unreliable and intermittent “renewables”. Those who label their activism as “progressive” promote windmills – 14th-century technology to address a 21st-century non-problem. If alternative energy sources were a viable option on the free market for those to whom this regressive experiment appeals, they would and should sink or swim in open and free, unfettered and unsubsidized competition with coal, oil and gas. Furthermore, let us not forget to point out the pathetic hypocrisy of “environmentalists” who conceal the destructive impact of windmills on the eco-system. Fine windmill corporations a million euros for each bird, bee or bat they kill per megawatt-hour generated.

3. Stop incentivizing the spread of pseudo-scientific propaganda among children who are viciously misled into imagining that somewhat warmer weather constitutes a “crisis of capitalism” that will destroy their future. The degree to which the temperature may increase determines the urgency of our concern. But when did the self-proclaimed “experts” ever specifically state what the ideal climate looks like? What is the optimal global mean surface temperature? Climate scientists have no asked, let alone answered, that central question. Without the answer, on what rational basis do they maintain that a little warming is a dangerous thing?
4. Stop abusing the young generation. Children are our future. It is a felony that ought to be pursued in the criminal courts to deceive them into promoting their own self-destruction. This deeply anti-human, suicidal narrative spits in the face of an ambitious generation of potential academics, creators and, most importantly, future parents. Stop corrupting their curriculum with anti-free-market propaganda disguised as environmentalism. Panicheanism – an unholy blend of blind panic and hate-filled Manicheanism – has no place in the education system.

5. Stop creating ever-larger bureaucracies, such as those which pointlessly but expensively count what you miscall “carbon” emissions. The demonization of what you call “carbon” and what science calls carbon dioxide is a preposterous, unscientific, unnecessary and inefficient pursuit. Instead, count the difference between the absurdly large warming that your useless climate models are predicting and the very small and net-harmless warming that is happening in the real world, and ask why that difference exists. Have climate scientists, perhaps, made a mistake?

6. Stop imposing futile “carbon budgets” on us and instead cut the price of electricity by 80% to make it accessible to everyone again. Your redundant climate policies have hiked the cost of electrical power fivefold compared with what it would be without them. Even though you pride yourselves on your adherence to modern scientific research, you are obviously unaware of the difference between carbon, an element in the periodic table, and carbon dioxide, a harmless trace gas and plant food essential to all life on earth. The misuse of inaccurate definitions spun into propaganda, with severely harmful economic and social consequences, is unethical.

7. Stop making momentous policy decisions based on the bogus claims of an academic establishment that has sold out the principles of the Enlightenment for reasons of political expediency, social convenience and financial profit. Hand in hand with the censorship-infected Fake-News media that attempt to command the public’s attention, academe has monopolized the scientific sphere while independent, highly-educated skeptics are silenced, expelled and ostracized. That is why one glaringly obvious key question is hardly ever discussed in public: How much of the total warming before 1850, the natural greenhouse effect, was not caused by feedback response to greenhouse gases, as climate “scientists” imagine, but by the fact – which they overlook – that the Sun is shining and produces a far larger feedback response? See the attached one-page note, which shows just how large an error of physics climatology has perpetrated. Without that error, they would not have sought to pretend that warmer weather worldwide constitutes an “emergency”.

8. Stop tearing down our democracy. Instead, assess fairly the real, life-giving benefits of coal, oil and gas as well as the putative harms. Stop glorifying spiteful, panic-contaminated Fascisto-Communist front groups like Fridays for Future and Extinction Rebellion. These violent, nihilistic totalitarians do not inspire scientific discourse but tyranny! Their figureheads and supporters are profiteering by the ruthless exploitation of people of goodwill, just as the race-baiting “Black Lives Matter” movement is exploiting the peaceful black community by latching on to the race question while pretending to defend democracy. We know their kind of “democracy” all too well – it was called the “German Democratic Republic”. Division, destruction, despair and death are their motivation. Reject them!

I do not want you to inspire needless panic. I do not ask you to believe. I want you to think.

Yours faithfully,

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The grave error of physics that created a climate ‘emergency’

Climate scientists overstated natural feedback response 35-fold, turning a gentle warming into a “crisis”

Climate scientists cried “Emergency!” because they had made an error when borrowing feedback math from engineering physics. They imagined the difference between surface temperatures with and without greenhouse gases in 1850, the natural greenhouse effect, was 32 °C: 8 °C direct warming by preindustrial greenhouse gases and 24 °C natural feedback response, mostly from more water vapor in warmer air. Thus, they thought the unit feedback response – the extra warming for every 1 °C of direct warming by greenhouse gases – was 24 ÷ 8, i.e., 3 °C (b above). And that is why, given 1 °C direct warming by doubled CO2 today, they predict as much as 4 °C final warming or equilibrium climate sensitivity (ECS) (d below).

They also had forgotten that without greenhouse gases no clouds reflect the Sun’s heat back to space: so surface temperature without greenhouse gases is about 12 °C warmer than they had thought. The true natural greenhouse effect in 1850 was not 32 °C but just 19.9 °C. Of this, 6.1 °C was direct warming by greenhouse gases, driving feedback response of only 0.7 °C. Their 24 °C was 35 times too large. The remaining 13.1 °C was feedback response to the Sun’s heat (a above). Climate scientists had forgotten the Sun was shining. They mistakenly added the large feedback response to the Sun’s heat to, and miscounted it as part of, the actually small natural feedback response to direct preindustrial greenhouse-gas warming. That is how they came to predict large, fast, dangerous warming today rather than small, slow, harmless, net-beneficial warming.

The true preindustrial unit feedback response was 0.7 ÷ 6.1, or just 0.12. So their imagined unit feedback response of 3 was 25 times too big, or 15 times today’s unit feedback response of about 0.19. So, given 1.06 °C direct warming by doubled CO2, there will be 1.06 (1 + 0.19) or 1.25 °C final warming. That is only a third of their 4 °C final warming, ending their “emergency”. Sure enough, real-world, observed global warming since 1990 (c below) has turned out to be just a third of what they had predicted that year. After correcting their error, there will be far too little global warming to do net harm.