

Now all these people agree with that—all of the scientists who used to be on the other side of the issue.

One of the witnesses there was a paleoclimate researcher, Bob Carter from Australia, the James Cook University. He has gone back to Australia. Everyone recognizes him as being one of the outstanding—in fact, he has been on quite a few TV shows. He says there is a huge uncertainty in every aspect of climate change.

David Deming, a geophysicist, said:

Every natural disaster that occurs is now linked [by the media] with global warming, no matter how tenuous or impossible the connection. As a result, the public has become vastly misinformed on this and other environmental issues.

That is a significant thing. While we recognize that we are going through a natural period where the climate is getting warmer, it was actually warmer in the 1930s than it is today. It was warmer in the fifteenth century than today.

But during this period of time, they are trying to say it is due to man-emitted gases. They are called antigeometric gases, methane, CO₂. Now they are all realizing that CO₂ has virtually nothing to do with it, and that is why you are seeing so much of the panic in the media. Dan Gainor was one of the only nonscience witnesses. He approached it from an ethical perspective, talking about the one-sided climate coverage, saying it violates the ethical code of the Society of Professional Journalists which urges the media to “support the open exchange of views. Even views they find repugnant.” That code calls for reporters to distinguish between advocacy and news reporting which, he says, they have not been doing.

One of those individuals who is a strong supporter of human gases causing climate change, Mike Hulme, the director of the UK-based Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research, is on the other side of this thing and has now—talking about the media—chastised the media and environmentalists for choosing the “language of fear and terror” to scare the public. Hulme noted he has found himself “increasingly chastised” by global warming activists because his public statements “have not satisfied the [activist] thirst for environmental drama and search for exaggerated rhetoric.”

A report in August of 2006 from the UK labor-leaning Institute for Public Policy talked about the way the media is handling it:

A quasireligious register of doom, death, heaven and hell using words such as “catastrophe,” “chaos” and “havoc.”

The report also compared the media’s coverage of global warming to “the unreality of Hollywood films.”

Another individual who was a supporter at one time, David Bellamy from Britain, has come around talking

about this. The one I am going to talk about in January at some length is a man named Claude Allegre, the French geophysicist and a former Socialist Party leader. He is the only one I know who is a member of both the French and the United States Academies of Science. Allegre now says the cause of warming remains unknown and the alarmism “has become a very lucrative business for some people.” In short, their motive is money. And he is right, it is about money.

One by one, the people, scientists are coming around. This hearing has had more response throughout the Nation. I have lists of newspapers that have editorialized as a result of this. That awakening is taking place, but that is not why I am here today.

TRIBUTE TO JEANE KIRKPATRICK

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, our majority leader has been paying tribute to some great people we work with, and I agree with every word he said. However, we have somebody else who needs tribute today.

A real American hero died yesterday. That was Jeane Kirkpatrick. It happens I have been close to Jeane Kirkpatrick for a number of years. People do not realize she was born in Duncan, OK, down in the oil patch. She was the daughter of an oil field wildcatter. I knew her way back in the early stages before she was even brought up by Ronald Reagan to take the lofty positions she held. She was Ronald Reagan’s foreign policy adviser in his 1980 campaign and the first woman to hold the position of U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations.

When someone was asking me in the media recently what is the one thing you can say she made the greatest contribution in, I said, she is the first one who called people’s attention to what the United Nations is doing, the fact that they have gotten involved in things they should not be involved in. She was one of the last stalwarts to hold out for sovereignty at the United Nations in the United States.

The Washington Times noted Jeane Kirkpatrick’s eyes twinkled at the mention of the August 1984 night at the Republican National Convention in Dallas when she eviscerated the liberal Democrats as the “blame America first crowd.” Boy, is she right. Look what has been happening.

She was awarded the Medal of Freedom, the Nation’s highest civilian honor, in May of 1985. She received her second Department of Defense Distinguished Public Service Medal and has received more medals than any other person I know in her field. In 1991, the Kennedy School at Harvard University established the Kirkpatrick Chair in International Affairs. She served as senior fellow and director of foreign and defense policy studies at the Amer-

ican Enterprise Institute. She is famous for her Kirkpatrick doctrine which advocates United States support of anti-Communist governments around the world. Along with the Empower America codirectors, Bill Bennett and Jack Kemp, she has been active up to the present time.

One of the things we worked on together was the John Bolton nomination. To me, the saddest day is when we found that John Bolton was throwing in the towel. He had been abused enough. The only way to save the United Nations was with John Bolton. She got behind him and pushed him and got him involved.

A lot of people say she is too conservative, but she has been recognized and compared to, of all people, former Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan. A lot of people do not realize this, but Pat Moynihan was also an Oklahoman. The Chicago Tribune said on November 14 of this year, such distinguished ambassadors as Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan and Republican Jeane Kirkpatrick also were criticized for tough talk on occasion, even when their passion proved to be right on point.

In recent years, it was Jeane Kirkpatrick who called my attention to something happening—and I am not blaming anyone in this Senate. A treaty that was called the Law of the Sea Treaty received a 16-to-0 vote from the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. People did not realize that was a treaty that would turn over to the United Nations the jurisdiction of two-thirds of the entire surface of the world and the air above it. I held hearings as a result of Jeane Kirkpatrick calling this to my attention. We were able to stop it when it was ready to be passed in the next week.

I would say we lost a real hero, a real American hero, someone who has been fighting Communists and fundamental Islamic terrorists for her entire life. She has made a great mark. I love her dearly and will certainly miss Jeane Kirkpatrick.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

TRIBUTE TO BILL HOAGLAND

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I rise to pay tribute to one who is known as Mr. Budget of the Senate. When I stepped up to the position of majority leader 4 years ago, my first priority was to hire a staff of capable advisers. When I stepped up, it happened very quickly, so I knew I wanted the best of the best. I already had a wonderful staff devoted to help the people of Tennessee, but what I needed was a core group of people to help me with the larger picture, to set an aggressive agenda and help me get it through.

I knew immediately who I wanted to advise me on budget and appropriations. In an ideal world, I knew exactly