

MORE ABC PROPAGANDA

A recent newspaper article reported a kangaroo eating a shark. The only surprising point about the article was that global warming was not blamed for this incident

On Monday 20th March 2017, the ABC's "Four Corners" program aired "The Age of Consequences" which they called a "documentary". In this program it was asserted that global warming was a major cause of war.

War, conflict, and terrorism in the Middle East and Africa and the US military response to this were used as examples in supporting this assertion.

Assertion 1. The director of this video first asserts that the changes caused by global warming that lead to war are;

1. Massive changes,
2. Abrupt changes,
3. Causing sudden shocks, and
4. Are already happening all around the World.

Assertion 2. The director then asserts that the key drivers of a climate war are;

1. Drought,
2. Lack of water, and
3. Lack of food.

Assertion 3. And finally, the director asserts that these drivers of a 'global warming war' cause;

1. Population shifts,
2. Refugees, and
3. Political instability.

At this stage we need to remind ourselves that before the term 'global warming' was coined, there were many natural causes of drought, lack of water, and lack of food, which sometimes led to population shifts, refugees, and political instability.

What has changed, and why do we now feel the need to blame Man's global warming, rather than those natural causes?

Consequently, any Green and, in particular, this director, has the task of cogently providing evidence that something significantly new is happening over and above what has happened naturally for millennia.

Having achieved that, the director must then show that global warming is the cause of all these additional changes. Then, finally, the director must show that the changes are not caused by natural global warming, but by man-made catastrophic global warming.

Without achieving each of these three steps, he cannot expect his audience to accept that they are in the “Age of Consequences”.

Apparently, he believes Man is causing catastrophic global warming which in turn is causing war, violence, conflicts, and terrorism. If true, ‘Wicked Man’ should now self-flagellate.

The Critique of These Three Assertions

Assertion 1. Anyone who looks at how small the global warming changes are and the century long timeframe it takes, must smile at the description given to these changes by this director.

He describes very small changes (e.g. 0.7°C, and 1.5mm, 1kph) occurring over 100 years as **massive** and **abrupt** changes and, apparently, they **cause sudden shocks** leading to war. Apparently, this director doesn’t live on this planet and most, if not all, would laugh at this description. The Green movement would have to re-define all the words used by this director to have any chance of being taken seriously.

Assertion 2. The second assertion of this director claims that; drought, lack of water, and lack of food are the drivers of war. In some cases, he could be right, and they may cause a war. However, this director must show how man-made global warming causes drought, less water, and less food.

In reality, exactly the opposite effect of global warming happens. Raised temperatures lead to greater evaporation and therefore more rain and less chance of a drought. Raised temperatures and water will lead to more food being grown.

Having said that, the positive changes are very small, so the real situation can be more accurately described as no change and certainly not a massive negative change. So, if there are no changes then war is not being caused by global warming. Because there is war and because of natural variability, you can get periods of drought, less water and food, this director needs to look elsewhere to explain the changes and the causes of war.

Also, as a side issue the increased concentrations of CO₂ in the atmosphere is already producing 5-30% increase in crop yields in all cereal crops around the World – increasing the World’s food supply.

Assertion 3. The director continues by asserting that population shifts, political instability and refugees could be a trigger for a war. He could be right, but as he hasn’t been able to justify the previous two steps as being caused by man-made global warming, in this last step he cannot show that these three elements are somehow going to cause a “climate war”.

Once again, he needs to look elsewhere. Many will be able to help him find out what causes war without looking at the climate.

Concluding, we see that the film and its director have been unable to support a raft of assertions in all three steps made throughout the film.

When a Green is discussing global warming effects, you are told a story that is viewed through a global warming prism. In this ABC program, you are shown wars, conflict, and terrorism and through this prism you are asked to identify; drought, lack of food and water, population shifts, refugees and political instability.

Then without even ***trying to identify any other causes*** of these factors, it is asserted that global warming caused these events, which leads to war. Then, illogically, the mere existence of these events is held up as further proof that global warming is “real” and happening now, all over the World.

You should now skim read Appendix 1 to see some of the other assertions of effects that are attributed to man-made global warming. All these apparently and illogically “prove global warming is real”.

Welcome to the unreal world of the ABC and the Green followers.

APPENDIX 1 - WELCOME TO ASSERTION LAND

Please ask yourself if the minor changes seen since 1900 (*seven tenths of one degree rise in global temperatures*) can cause all of the following. Then accept that this list proves that global warming is real and happening now.

Remember Man's contribution is a small fraction – if any - of the calculated natural changes! The list, of assertions made about “global warming”, is in alphabetical order, and dated 9/6/10.

Are we mad or are we mad?

Acne , agricultural land increase , Afghan poppies destroyed , African holocaust, aged deaths , poppies more potent , Africa devastated, Africa in conflict, African aid threatened , African summer frost , aggressive weeds , Air France crash , air pressure changes , airport farewells virtual , airport malaria , Agulhas current , Alaskan towns slowly destroyed , Al Qaeda and Taliban Being Helped , allergy increase , allergy season longer , alligators in the Thames , Alps melting , Amazon a desert , American dream end , amphibians breeding earlier (or not) , anaphylactic reactions to bee stings , ancient forests dramatically changed , animals head for the hills, animals shrink , Antarctic grass flourishes , Antarctic ice grows , Antarctic ice shrinks , Antarctic sea life at risk , anxiety treatment , algal blooms , archaeological sites threatened, Arctic bogs melt , Arctic in bloom , Arctic ice free , Arctic ice melt faster , Arctic lakes disappear , Arctic tundra lost, Arctic warming (not), a rose by any other name smells of nothing, asteroid strike risk , asthma , Atlantic less salty , Atlantic more salty , atmospheric circulation modified , attack of the killer jellyfish , avalanches reduced , avalanches increased , Baghdad snow , Bahrain under water , bananas grow , barbarisation , bats decline , beer and bread prices to soar , beer better , beer worse , beetle infestation , bet for \$10,000 , big melt faster, billion dollar research projects , billion homeless , billions face risk , billions of deaths , bird distributions change , bird loss accelerating , bird strikes , bird visitors drop , birds confused , birds decline (Wales) , birds driven north , birds face longer migrations , birds return early , birds shrink(Aus) , birds shrink (USA) , bittern boom ends , blackbirds stop singing , blackbirds threatened , Black Hawk down , blizzards , blood contaminated , blue mussels return , borders redrawn , bluetongue , brain eating amoebae , brains shrink , bridge collapse (Minneapolis), Britain one big city , Britain Siberian , Britain's bananas, British monsoon , brothels struggle , brown Ireland , bubonic plague , Buddhist temple threatened , building collapse , building season extension , bushfires , butterflies move north , butterflies reeling , carbon crimes , camel deaths , cancer deaths in England , cannibalism , caterpillar biomass shift , cave paintings threatened , childhood insomnia, Cholera , circumcision in decline , cirrus disappearance , civil unrest , cloud increase , coast beauty spots lost , cockroach migration, cod go south, coffee threatened , coffee berry borer , coffee berry disease, cold climate creatures survive , cold spells (Australia) , cold wave (India) , cold weather (world) , computer models , conferences

<2005%20February.htm#tale>, conflict , conflict with Russia , consumers foot the bill , coral bleaching , coral fish suffer , coral reefs dying , coral reefs grow, coral reefs shrink , coral reefs twilight , cost of trillions , cougar attacks , crabgrass menace , cradle of civilisation threatened , creatures move uphill, crime increase , crocodile sex, crops devastated , crumbling roads, buildings and sewage systems , curriculum change , cyclones (Australia) , danger to kid's health , Dartford Warbler plague , deadly virus outbreaks , death rate increase (US) , deaths to reach 6 million, Dengue hemorrhagic fever , depression , desert advance , desert retreat , destruction of the environment , dig sites threatened , disasters , diseases move north , dog disease , dozen deadly diseases - or not , drought , ducks and geese decline , dust bowl in the corn belt , earlier pollen season , Earth axis tilt , Earth biodiversity crisis , Earth dying, Earth even hotter , Earth light dimming , Earth lopsided, Earth melting , Earth morbid fever , Earth on fast track , Earth past point of no return , Earth slowing down , Earth spins faster, Earth to explode , earth upside down , earthquakes , earthquakes redux , El Niño intensification , end of the world as we know it , erosion , emerging infections , encephalitis, English villages lost , equality threatened , Europe simultaneously baking and freezing , eutrophication , evolution accelerating , expansion of university climate groups,* extinctions* (human , civilisation, koalas , lizards , logic , Inuit , smallest butterfly , cod, penguins , pikas , polar bears , possums , walrus , tigers , toads, turtles , plants , ladybirds , rhinoceros , salmon , trout , wild flowers , woodlice , a million species , half of all animal and plant species , mountain species , not polar bears , barrier reef , leaches , salamanders , tropical insects) experts muzzled , extreme changes to California , fading fall foliage , fainting , famine , farmers benefit , farmers go under , farm output boost , farming soil decline , fashion disaster , fever , figurehead sacked , fir cone bonanza , fires fanned in Nepal , fish bigger , fish catches drop , fish downsize , fish deaf, fish get lost , fish head north , fish shrinking , fish stocks at risk , fish stocks decline , five million illnesses , flesh eating disease , flies on Everest , flood patterns change, floods , floods of beaches and cities , flood of migrants, flood preparation for crisis , flora dispersed , Florida economic decline , flowers in peril , fog increase in San Francisco , fog decrease in San Francisco , food poisoning , food prices rise , food prices soar , food security threat (SA) , football team migration , forest decline , forest expansion , foundations threatened , frog with extra heads , frosts , frostbite , frost damage increased , fungi fruitful , fungi invasion , games change , Garden of Eden wilts , geese decline in Hampshire , genetic changes , genetic diversity decline, gene pools slashed , geysers imperilled, giant icebergs (Australia) , giant oysters invade, giant pythons invade , giant squid migrate , gingerbread houses collapse , glacial earthquakes , glacial retreat, glacier grows (California) , glaciers on Snowden , glacier wrapped , global cooling , glowing clouds , golf course to drown , golf Masters wrecked , grain output drop (China) , grain output stagnating (India) , grandstanding , grasslands wetter , gravity shift , Great Barrier Reef 95% dead , Great Lakes drop , great tits cope , greening of the North , Grey whales lose weight , Gulf Stream failure , habitat loss , haggis threatened , Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome , harvest increase , harvest shrinkage , hay fever epidemic , health affected , health of children

harmed , health risks , health risks (even more) , heart disease, heart attacks and strokes (Australia) , heat waves, hedgehogs bald , hibernation affected , hibernation ends too soon , hibernation ends too late , homeless 50 million , hornets, human development faces unprecedented reversal , human fertility reduced , human health risk , human race oblivion , hurricanes , hurricane reduction , hurricanes fewer , hurricanes more intense , hurricanes not , hydropower problems , hyperthermia deaths , ice age , ice sheet growth , ice sheet shrinkage , icebergs , illness and death , inclement weather , India drowning , infrastructure failure (Canada) , indigestion , industry threatened , infectious diseases , inflation in China , insect explosion, insect invasion , insurance premium rises , Inuit displacement , Inuit poisoned , Inuit suing , invasion of alien worms, invasion of Antarctic aliens , invasion of Asian carp , invasion of cats , invasion of crabgrass , invasion of herons , invasion of jellyfish , invasion of king crabs , invasion of lampreys , invasion of midges , invasion of slugs , island disappears , islands sinking , Italy robbed of pasta , itchier poison ivy , Japan's cherry blossom threatened , jellyfish explosion , jet stream drifts north , jets fall from sky , Kew Gardens taxed , kidney stones , killer cornflakes , killing us , kitten boom , koalas under threat , krill decline , lake and stream productivity decline , lake empties , lake shrinking and growing, landslides , landslides of ice at 140 mph , large trees decline , lawsuits increase , lawsuit successful, lawyers' income increased (surprise surprise!) , lawyers want more , legionnaires' surge , lives lost , lives saved , Loch Ness monster dead , locust plagues suppressed , low oxygen zones threaten sea life , lush growth in rain forests , Lyme disease , Major vegetation shifts , Malaria, malnutrition, mammoth dung melt , mango harvest fails , Maple production advanced, Maple syrup shortage , marine diseases, marine food chain decimated, Meaching (end of the world) , Meat eating to stop , Mediterranean rises , megacryometeors , Melanoma , Melanoma decline , mental illness , methane emissions from plants , methane burps , methane runaway , melting permafrost , Middle Kingdom convulses , migration , migratory birds huge losses , microbes to decompose soil carbon more rapidly , minorities hit, monkeys at risk , monkeys on the move , Mont Blanc grows , monuments imperiled , moose dying , more bad air days , more research needed , mortality increased, mosquitoes adapting , mountain (Everest) shrinking , mountaineers fears, mountains break up , mountains green and flowering , mountains taller , mortality lower , murder rate increase , musk ox decline , Myanmar cyclone , narwhals at risk , National Parks damaged , National security implications , native wildlife overwhelmed , natural disasters quadruple , new islands , next ice age , NFL threatened , Nile delta damaged , noctilucent clouds , no effect in India , Northwest Passage opened , nuclear plants bloom , oaks dying , oaks move north , oblivion , ocean acidification , ocean acidification faster , ocean dead spots , ocean dead zones unleashed , ocean deserts expand , ocean salt extremes , ocean waves speed up , Olympic Games to end , opera house to be destroyed , outdoor hockey threatened , oxygen depletion zones , ozone repair slowed, ozone rise , penguin chicks frozen, penguin chicks smaller , penguins replaced by jellyfish, personal carbon rationing , pest outbreaks , pests increase, phenology shifts , pines decline , pirate population decrease , plankton blooms , plankton wiped out , plants

lose protein , plants march north , plants move uphill , polar bears aggressive , polar bears cannibalistic , polar bears deaf, polar bears drowning , polar tours scrapped , popcorn rise , porpoise astray , profits collapse , psychiatric illness , puffin decline , pushes poor women into prostitution , rabid bats , radars taken out , railroad tracks deformed , rainfall increase , rape wave , refugees , reindeer endangered , reindeer larger , release of ancient frozen viruses , resorts disappear , rice threatened, rice yields crash, rift on Capitol Hill , rioting and nuclear war, river flow impacted , rivers raised , road accidents , roads wear out , robins rampant , rocky peaks crack apart , roof of the world a desert, rooftop bars , Ross river disease , ruins ruined, Russia under pressure , salinity reduction , salinity increase , Salmonella, salmon stronger, satellites accelerate , school closures , sea level rise , sea level rise faster , seals mating more , seismic activity , sewer bills rise, severe thunderstorms , sex change , sexual disfunction , sexual promiscuity , shark attacks , sharks booming , sharks moving north , sheep change colour , sheep shrink , shop closures , short-nosed dogs endangered , shrimp sex problems , shrinking ponds , shrinking sheep , shrinking shrine , Sidney Opera House wiped out , ski resorts threatened , slavery , slow death , smaller brains , smelt down , smog , snowfall decrease, snowfall increase , snowfall heavy , snow thicker , soaring food prices , societal collapse , soil change , songbirds change eating habits , sour grapes , space problem , spectacular orchids , spiders getting bigger , spiders invade Scotland , squid larger , squid population explosion , squid tamed , squirrels reproduce earlier , stingray invasion , storms wetter , stratospheric cooling , street crime to increase , subsidence , suicide , swordfish in the Baltic , Tabasco tragedy , taxes , tectonic plate movement , terrorists (India) , thatched cottages at risk , threat to peace , ticks move northward (Sweden) , tides rise , tigers eat people , tomatoes rot , tornado outbreak , tourism increase , toxic seaweed , trade barriers, trade winds weakened , traffic jams , transportation threatened , tree foliage increase (UK) , tree growth slowed , tree growth faster , trees in trouble , trees less colourful , trees more colourful , trees lush , trees on Antarctica , treelines change , tropics expansion , tropopause raised , truffle shortage , truffles down , turtles crash , turtle feminised , turtles lay earlier , UFO sightings, UK coastal impact , UK Katrina , Vampire moths , Venice flooded , violin decline , volcanic eruptions , volcanoes awakened in Iceland , walrus pups orphaned , walrus stampede , wars over water , wars sparked , wars threaten billions , wasps , water bills double , water scarcity (20% of increase), water shortage to increase vegetarianism , wave of natural disasters, waves bigger , weather out of its mind , weather patterns awry , weather patterns last longer , Western aid cancelled out , West Nile fever , whale beachings , whales lose weight , whales move north , whales wiped out , wheat yields crushed in Australia , wildfires , wind shift , wind reduced, winds stronger , winds weaker , wine - Australian baked , wine - harm to Australian industry , wine industry damage (California) , wine industry disaster (US) , wine - more English , wine - England too hot , wine -German boon , wine - no more French , wine passé (Napa) , wine - Scotland best , wine stronger , winters in Britain colder , winter in Britain dead , witchcraft executions , wolverine decline , wolves eat more moose , wolves eat less, workers laid off , World at war , World War 4 , World

bankruptcy , World-famous places threatened , World in crisis , World in flames, Yellow fever , zebra mussel threat , zoonotic diseases . * and all on 0.006 deg C per year! * Advice of any omissions (with sources) or broken links is welcome at warmlist@numberwatch.co.uk *Note*: All links were live at time of posting. Inevitably some will disappear, particularly from Yahoo News. Thanks to correspondents for additional entries; especially, as always, Our Man in Puerto Rico. Also, thanks to "Scraperguy" for the script to form the following: *The dead link collection* Africa hit hardest, Alaska reshaped , allergies increase , anxiety , Arctic tundra to burn , atmospheric defiance , bananas destroyed , beer shortage , blizzards , boredom , business opportunities , business risks , British gardens change , budget increases , cardiac arrest , cataracts , challenges and opportunities , cloud stripping , cold spells , cremation to end , damages equivalent to \$200 billion , Darfur , dermatitis , desert life threatened , diarrhoea, disappearance of coastal cities , Dolomites collapse , drowning people , early marriages , early spring , Earth spinning out of control , Earth wobbling , * extinctions* (bats , pandas , pigmy possums , koalas , turtles , orang-utan , elephants , tigers , gorillas , whales , frogs , penguins ,) fish catches rise , flames stoked , footpath erosion , glacial growth , global dimming, god melts , Gore omnipresence , harmful algae , hazardous waste sites breached , high court debates , HIV epidemic , human health improvement, ice shelf collapse , lightning related insurance claims , little response in the atmosphere , Lyme disease , marine dead zone , Maple production advanced , mental illness (Alberta) , migration difficult (birds) , mountains melting, mudslides , oceans noisier , oyster diseases , ozone loss , Pacific dead zone , plankton destabilised , plankton loss , plant viruses , polar bears cannibalistic , polar bears starve , psychosocial disturbances , rainfall reduction , riches , rivers dry up , rockfalls , skin cancer , snowfall reduction, squid aggressive giants , stick insects , stormwater drains stressed , teenage drinking , terrorism, tree beetle attacks, trees could return to Antarctic , tree growth increased , tsunamis , tundra plant life boost , uprooted - 6 million , walrus displaced , war , war between US and Canada , water stress , water supply unreliability , weeds