

The Elite's COVID-19 Coup Against a Terrified Humanity: Resisting Powerfully

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I have previously explained how the COVID-19 infection is being used to frighten us into submitting powerlessly to the global elite's latest move to take much greater control of our lives and how those who can perceive this, and wish to resist it, can do so effectively. See 'Observing Elites Manipulate Our Fear: COVID-19, Propaganda and Knowledge' and 'Defending Humanity Against the Elite Coup'.

In this article I want to document a sample of the rapidly increasing evidence of how this coup is taking shape and to reiterate a strategy for defeating it.

The coup was designed to take immediate measures to ensure that fundamental rights and freedoms, only 'won' (in name at least) after many centuries of struggle, were stripped away from us and to do it in such a way that people would fearfully accept it.

This is why the idea of a virus 'pandemic' was quite clever.

Because the fear of contracting the virus (and its possibly deadly consequences) could be grotesquely magnified by inflating the figures, constant harping on it by the World Health Organization, the medical industry (in league with the pharmaceutical industry) and governments, and then magnified by the corporate media – with one outlet laughably suggesting COVID-19 could be worse than the flu outbreak in 1918 (falsely attributed to Spain): see 'COVID-19 has the potential to become as severe as the Spanish flu' – it made virtually all people submissive to any measure taken, or order given, ostensibly to prevent the spread of the virus.

Fear manipulated by propaganda defeats knowledge and evidence every time, as history has endlessly demonstrated. Just ask Joseph Goebbels how they did it in Nazi Germany. Play on the fear, play on the fear....

But if you are not too scared to seek out the evidence, you get an utterly different picture of what is taking place.



So, for example, US physician **Dr. Annie Bukacek** observes

that (image right)

'The real number of COVID-19 deaths are not what most people are told and what they then think. How many people actually died from COVID-19 is anyone's guess. ... Based on inaccurate, incomplete data, people are being terrorized by fear-mongers into relinquishing freedoms.'

See 'Montana physician Dr. Annie Bukacek discusses how COVID 19 death certificates are being manipulated'.

If you would like to read a wider sample of the literature and videos discussing how the infection and death rates from COVID-19 have been deliberately misinterpreted, inflated and presented in a way that induces fear, and hence willing submission to elite control, see the daily updates on

'A Swiss Doctor on Covid-19' and the articles/videos

'Corona: creating the illusion of a pandemic through diagnostic tests',

'12 Experts Questioning the Coronavirus Panic',

'Can We Trust the WHO?',

'How deadly is the coronavirus? It's still far from clear',

'Perspectives on the Pandemic II: A Conversation with Dr. Knut Wittkowski',

'Never Has So Little Done So Much Harm to So Many:

The Latest Coronavirus Attack Is A Cover for Restricting Our Health Freedoms',

'Covid19 Death Figures "A Substantial Over-Estimate" and

'Dr Scott Jensen Reveals "Ridiculous" Covid19 Guidance'.

As a result of this *pandemic of fear*, the human rights to privacy (Article 12), freedom of movement (Article 13.1) and freedom of assembly (Article 20.1), for example, which are enshrined in the <u>Universal Declaration of Human Rights</u> proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in Paris on 10 December 1948 (but not necessarily legislated into law by individual countries and routinely violated by governments in any case) have now been publicly and completely eviscerated in one fell swoop with bans on gatherings, legal requirements for 'social distancing' and even greater surveillance of our private activities with barely a murmur of protest.

For a comprehensive global summary, which monitors individual government responses to the pandemic that affect civic freedoms and human rights focusing on emergency laws, see the 'COVID-19 Civic Freedom Tracker'.

Denied these fundamental rights, others – including those preventing arbitrary arrest or detention (Article 9), entitlement to a fair and public hearing by an independent and impartial tribunal in response to any criminal charge (Article 10), to make a living in the manner of our choosing (Article 23), to adequate healthcare irrespective of personal circumstances (Article 25.1) and to have some say in how we are governed (Article 21) – have, if they previously existed in practice, largely disappeared as many governments around the world have used a variety of illegal and sometimes unconstitutional measures – ranging from 'lockdowns' and curfews to martial law and suspensions of parliaments in favour of dictatorships – to usurp more complete control of national societies.

For just a brief taste of what is taking place in some countries, see

'Denmark rushes through emergency coronavirus law',

'DOJ seeks new emergency powers amid coronavirus pandemic', '

For Autocrats, and Others, Coronavirus Is a Chance to Grab Even More Power',

'Suspending the Constitution: Police State Uses Crises to Expand Its Lockdown Powers',

'Hungary's Leader Grabbed Powers to Fight the Virus. Some Fear Other Motives',

'Americans Beware: Trump Could Emulate Netanyahu's Coronavirus Coup'

'The Coronavirus State: New Zealand and Authoritarian Rumblings'.

In addition, by deliberately crashing national economies it was easy to conceal the fact that

they were on the brink of crashing anyway. In the words of Scott C. Tips:

'As the American and other economies falter from major structural problems, out-of-control debt, reckless spending, and government stupidity in shuttering businesses, the blame for markets crashing and economies tanking is borne by the conveniently available COVID-19 disease.' See 'Never Has So Little Done So Much Harm to So Many: The Latest Coronavirus Attack Is A Cover for Restricting Our Health Freedoms'.

In this way, the elite has rapidly and vastly expanded the number of people who live a precarious economic existence, due to the exploitative functioning of the global economy – see <u>'Who Profits From the Pandemic?'</u> – while also giving vast sums of money to wealthy corporations via government bailouts. See <u>'Trump Signs Corporate Bailout Bill: A Measure That Will Live in Infamy'</u>.

Moreover, adverse outcomes from the use of COVID-19 to wreak this economic destruction will multiply rapidly but the underlying corporate dysfunctionality will now escape the blame from most observers just as COVID-19 will help to obscure the elite's true purpose in precipitating this crisis.

See, for example, <u>'Coronavirus pandemic will inevitably cause food crisis'</u>, <u>'10 Signs the U.S. Is Heading for a Depression'</u>,

'After the Lockdown: A Global Coronavirus Vaccination Program...',

'COVID-19. The Unspoken Truth. The Most Serious Global Crisis in Modern History',

'The worst economic collapse ever?' and

'Coronavirus - The Aftermath. A Coming Mega-Depression...'.

But apart from these more obvious encroachments on our rights, freedoms and economic well-being, there is a vast range of encroachments happening either outside or on the periphery of public view, given the phenomenal corporate media attention focused on COVID-19 to distract us.

Talking about US government surveillance in 2014, former Technical Director of the NSA, William 'Bill' Binney, explained that the NSA sought 'total population control'. See 'Whistleblower: NSA Goal Is "Total Population Control".

Six years later it is clear that the global elite is now making another push in its ongoing and longstanding effort to achieve total control. Will this be the final push?

As you consider this question, here is another small sample of those encroachments and devastating impacts that are happening while our attention is elsewhere:

1. The public acceptance of surveillance technology to spy on us in the

- interests of our 'health' is facilitating elite efforts to rapidly expand its monitoring capacities in this regard. See, for example, <u>'To Track Coronavirus, Israel Moves to Tap Secret Trove of Cellphone Data'</u> and <u>'For Autocrats, and Others, Coronavirus Is a Chance to Grab Even More Power'</u>.
- 2. The deluge of propaganda is convincing us that compulsory vaccination will be necessary to ensure our 'health and well-being'. However, apart from the conclusively and extensively documented harm from vaccinations for one brief article just touching on this, see 'Vaccines and the Liberal Mind' there is extensive evidence that any such vaccination program will be the trojan horse for implementing an electronic identification program that uses generalized vaccination as a platform for launching a scheme to give everyone 'a portable and persistent biometrically-linked digital identity'. See 'The Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic: The Real Danger is "Agenda ID2020"', 'After the Lockdown: A Global Coronavirus Vaccination Program...', 'Coronavirus: Biometric IDs could be "gamechanger" for tests, vaccines' and 'COVID-19: Perfect Cover for Mandatory Biometric ID'.

If you think this is fairyland stuff, check out the website of the elite agents advocating it: 'The need for good digital ID is universal: The ability to prove who you are is a fundamental and universal human right. Because we live in a digital era, we need a trusted and reliable way to do that both in the physical world and online.' See 'The Need for Good Digital ID is Universal'.

Without thinking too hard, I can list a few 'fundamental and universal human rights' that I would nominate before I got too excited about my digital identity. I wonder if these people are concerned about whether I have enough to eat, whether I am clothed and housed.... Of course, I know they have no interest in my privacy given that digital ID and the surveillance that goes with it will make that non-existent.

- 3. The deployment of the highly dangerous 5G which, under the guise of improving internet speed and capacity, will vastly expand everyone's exposure to electromagnetic radiation with its long list of seriously adverse health impacts. For a taste of the extensive documentation on this point, see the 'International Appeal to Stop 5G on Earth and in Space'.
- 4. A dramatic increase in the violence inflicted within the family home, especially by men and women against children see <u>'Why Violence?'</u> and by the more usually acknowledged men against women, during the lockdown. See <u>'UN chief</u> <u>calls for domestic violence "ceasefire" amid "horrifying global surge"</u>.
- 5. Intensified efforts to overthrow governments in Iran and Venezuela. See 'COVID-19: Cover for Military Attack on Iran and Iraq? Trump ignores Iraqi demand US occupation forces leave the country', 'Not letting Covid-19 crisis go to waste? US ramps up war on drugs... focusing on Venezuela's Maduro', 'Trump sends gun boats to Venezuela while the world partners to fight a deadly pandemic' and 'NATO in Arms to "Fight Coronavirus"'.

The background framework to what is happening regarding Venezuela has been exposed by its President Nicolás Maduro. See <u>'Letter from President Nicolás Maduro to the People of the United States'</u>.

6. No end to the many ongoing wars involving the United States - see, for example,

<u>'U.S. Confirms Deployment Of Patriot Missiles In Iraq. Iran Prepares For Conflict In Straight Of Hormuz'</u> and <u>'US Empire Exploits COVID-19 For More War'</u> – although a pause in some wars in which the US is not a party – for an overview, see <u>'UN Ceasefire Defines War As a Non-Essential Activity'</u> – as a result of an appeal by the UN Secretary-General for warring nations to desist until the effort to contain COVID-19 is won. See <u>'The fury of the virus illustrates the folly of war'</u>.

Unfortunately, this appeal, unlike the Secretary-General's appeal for a ceasefire on domestic violence which attracted no significant public endorsement, quickly drew in many others equally devoid of any analysis of what is actually taking place and thus happy to help distract people from the core issue. See, for example, 'COVID-19: Sign the Call for Global Ceasefire!', 'Global Ceasefire: Running List of Countries Committed' and 'Global Ceasefire Now!'

Obviously, I am heartily in favour of ending war. But this is only going to happen when we campaign strategically to do so **and provided we have sufficient political freedom to do it**. See 'Strategic Aims' (for ending war).

As an aside and displaying its usual projected fear of threats, when some US military personnel became infected with COVID-19 – see <u>'Request for Assistance in Response to COVID-19 Pandemic'</u> – the Pentagon issued a suppression order on further reporting of COVID-19 in the US military. See <u>'Pentagon orders all installations to stop reporting COVID-19 infections and deaths'</u>.

- 7. Ongoing economic sanctions by the United States directed against a variety of countries, notably including Iran and Venezuela, are complicating efforts to address COVID-19 effectively. In contrast, countries such as Cuba, China and Russia are leading the international effort to support other countries dealing with a higher level of infection. See 'US Continues Sanctions Against Venezuela And Cuba During COVID-19 Pandemic Analysis' and 'Expert: US sanctions on Iran, Venezuela during pandemic could be genocidal'.
- 8. A variety of actions, including legal manoeuvres and false flag attacks, undertaken to inflict greater repression in some contexts, particularly against indigenous peoples and those engaged in national liberation struggles. See 'Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Threatened with Land Disestablishment, Tribal Leaders Step in to Address Ongoing Land Issues and Threats to Sovereignty', 'Media advisory notice on alleged shooting near Freeport mine in Timika' and 'During the Coronavirus crisis, Israel confiscates tents designated for clinic in the Northern West Bank'.
- 9. Dramatic increases in absolute impoverishment among marginalized individuals and communities throughout the Global South who barely survive day-to-day under their usual, difficult economic circumstances. As one Asian NGO network, engaged in attempting to secure emergency relief to assist those most adversely impacted, has just reported: 'We are receiving alarming reports that ADB and AllB project-affected communities across Asia, especially South Asia and South East Asia are in an absolute state of crisis. Due to the enforced lockdown, they have no work or access to sanitizers and food supplies. Leaving them completely exposed and vulnerable to the COVID-19 pandemic. The state responses are slow and in some cases non-existent.' See 'COVID-19 Community Emergency Fund'.

And **Arundhati Roy** wrote an evocative account of how the Indian government's lockdown exposed the 'brutal, structural, social and economic inequality' in that country and the government's 'callous indifference to suffering' as the lockdown caused employers and landlords in cities and towns to drive out millions of impoverished, homeless and hungry workers to walk the hundreds of kilometres to their villages. Many have died along the way, but not of COVID-19. See 'Social Devastation and Despair. How Coronavirus Threatens India'.

10. No pause in the economic exploitation of countries in the Global South with, for example, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) quick to offer 'emergency finance' to some 80 of these countries that have requested it. See <u>'IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva's Statement Following a G20 Ministerial Call on the Coronavirus Emergency'</u>.

What Ms. Georgieva didn't mention is that these loans will no doubt be done on the usual highly conditional and exploitative basis for which the **IMF** has built its reputation for destroying the lives of ordinary local people by opening the door for corrupt or naive governments to accept corporate exploitation of their people and natural resources while building unsustainable levels of national debt trying to pay back the loans and interest to the IMF. For more detail on how this exploitation works, see the many <u>Global Justice</u> <u>Now</u> reports on the IMF and the book <u>The New Confessions of an Economic Hit Man</u>.

In contrast, World Bank President David Malpass was not so coy, clearly declaring that COVID-19 would be used to further exploit poorer countries by making any funding conditional on a willingness to make such exploitation easier in future: 'Countries will need to implement structural reforms to help shorten the time to recovery and create confidence that the recovery can be strong. For those countries that have excessive regulations, subsidies, licensing regimes, trade protection or litigiousness as obstacles, we will work with them to foster markets, choice and faster growth prospects during the recovery.' See 'Remarks by World Bank Group President David Malpass on G20 Finance Ministers Conference Call on COVID-19'.

To reiterate: The World Bank will help existing heavily exploited countries with some funding for short-term health measures directed at containing COVID-19 provided the country removes laws that would make it difficult to exploit it indefinitely thereafter.

11. No pause in environmentally destructive activities, ranging from the ongoing use of health-destroying poisons, such as glyphosate, used to contaminate our food – see <u>'Locked Down and Locking in the New Global Order'</u> – which cause vastly more deaths than COVID-19 will cause, to the ongoing destruction of pristine rainforests to create, among other possibilities, more palm oil plantations. See <u>'New player starts clearing rainforest in world's biggest oil palm project'</u>.

And while there has been a short-term reduced negative impact on the climate as a result of the slowdown in industrial activity and the use of fossil fuel-powered vehicles, the ongoing COVID-19 coup has been used to destroy whatever momentum has been achieved by the climate and environment movements in recent years.

12. While COVID-19 is causing problems for the 100,000 skilled technicians responsible for controlling, maintaining and fuel loading/unloading of the 96 remaining nuclear power plants in the USA, given the confined space in which

- the technicians work which make 'social distancing' virtually impossible, 'The industry is now using the Coronavirus Pandemic to rush through a wide range of deregulation demands. Among them is a move to allow radioactive waste to be dumped into municipal landfills.' See 'Terrified Atomic Workers Warn That the COVID-19 Pandemic May Threaten Nuclear Reactor Disaster'.
- 13. Long intent on dominating Space both militarily and industrially see the US Space Command's 'Vision for 2020' in violation of the Outer Space Treaty of 1967 which declared 'The exploration and use of outer space, including the moon and other celestial bodies, shall be carried out for the benefit and in the interests of all countries... and shall be the province of all mankind' see 'Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, including the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies' US president Trump has just signed an executive order to allow corporations and 'citizens' (that is, billionaires) to begin mining the moon. The elite also wants to use nuclear reactors to fuel spacecraft so they can mine Mars in the future. See 'Trump Signs Executive Order to Mine the Moon'.

If you are a US citizen and wondering how the 'largest industrial project in the history of the planet' will be financed, look in your own purse or wallet and wonder how much more will be taken from you so that, as usual, you pay the upfront costs associated with the vast profits they plan to make. Of course, you will also pay with budget cuts to health, education and social security funding.

The 13-point list above is actually very short – and confined to readily observable 'moves' – but, hopefully, it gives you some idea of what is taking place behind the elite's barrage of COVID-19 fear-mongering. Needless to say, it is the 'moves' that we do not know about that are, no doubt, even more troubling.

So what can we do in response to this fear-mongering and the coup it is being used to disguise?

Resisting the Elite Coup Powerfully



I have previously outlined this nonviolent strategy, identifying its political purpose – obviously 'To defend humanity against a political/military coup conducted by the global elite' – and I have set out a basic list of 26 strategic goals, of which eleven are as follows:

(1) To cause people and groups all around the world to join the resistance strategy by wearing a global symbol of human solidarity, such as an image of several people of different genders/races/religions/abilities/classes holding hands.

- (2) To cause people and groups all around the world to join the resistance strategy by boycotting all corporate media outlets (television, radio, newspapers, Facebook, Twitter...) and by seeking news from progressive news outlets committed to telling the truth.
- (3) To cause people and groups all around the world to join the resistance strategy by withdrawing all funds from the corporate banks that are supporting the coup and to deposit their money in local community banks or credit unions.
- (4) To cause people and groups all around the world to join the resistance strategy by boycotting the medical and pharmaceutical industries including by conscientiously refusing to submit to vaccination and by seeking health advice and treatment from natural therapists. (If you are unfamiliar with the different philosophies underpinning these approaches, and hence why many natural therapies are so much more effective, there is a straightforward explanation here: 'Pasteur vs. Bechamp: An Alternative View of Infectious Disease'.)
- (5) To cause people and groups all around the world to join the resistance strategy by boycotting corporate supermarkets and by supporting small and family businesses, and local markets.
- (6) To cause people and groups all around the world to join the resistance strategy by participating in other locally relevant nonviolent action(s)/campaign(s) and/or constructive program activities. For this item and many subsequent, see the list of possible nonviolent actions in the document '198 Tactics of Nonviolent Action'.
- (7) To cause the workers [in trade unions or labor organizations T1, T2, T...] all around the world to join the resistance strategy by participating in locally relevant nonviolent action(s)/campaign(s) and/or constructive program activities. For example, this might include withdrawing labor from an elite-controlled bank, media, pharmaceutical or other corporation operating in your country.
- (8) To cause the small farmers and farmworkers [in organizations F1, F2, F...] all around the world to join the resistance strategy by participating in locally relevant nonviolent action(s)/campaign(s) and/or constructive program activities. For example, this might include distributing farm produce through (existing or created) grassroots networks to small and family businesses as well as local markets rather than through corporate supply chains.
- (9) To cause the indigenous peoples [in organizations IP1,IP2, IP...] all around the world to join the resistance strategy by participating in locally relevant nonviolent action(s)/campaign(s) and/or constructive program activities. For example, this might include utilizing indigenous knowledge to improve local self-reliance in food production and in other ways.
- (10) To cause the soldiers and military police [in army units AU1, AU2, AU... and MP1, MP2, MP...], wherever stationed around the world, to refuse to obey orders from the global elite and its agents to arrest, assault, torture and shoot nonviolent activists and the other citizens of [your country].
- (11) To cause the police [in police units P1, P2, P...], wherever stationed around the world, to refuse to obey orders from the global elite and its agents to arrest, assault, torture and shoot nonviolent activists and the other citizens of [your country].

Rather than detail all 26 strategic goals here, you can read the 'Strategic goals for defeating a political/military coup conducted by the global elite against humanity' by scrolling down the page at 'Strategic Aims'.

Remaining pages on the website fully explain the twelve components of the strategy, as illustrated by the <u>Nonviolent Strategy Wheel</u>. These include the need to provide leadership and mutual aid at local levels, which are already happening in many places, as part of the overall effort.

The website also has articles and videos explaining all of the vital points of strategy and tactics, including articles to help you understand 'Nonviolent Action: Why and How it Works', the difference between 'The Political Objective and Strategic Goal of Nonviolent Actions' and how to prepare, frame and conduct any nonviolent action to minimize the risk of violent repression. See 'Nonviolent Action: Minimizing the Risk of Violent Repression'.

It is worth emphasizing that, in some contexts, there is a place for large public nonviolent actions for those who are inclined to plan and conduct them. And the article just referenced will assist you to conduct them with minimal risk of violent repression. However, because the bans on public gatherings are being implemented widely, I have concentrated on providing tactical options in the examples above that do not depend on gathering in one place.

Nevertheless, as more people become aware of the coup and the energy to resist it gathers pace, it will be worthwhile to choose a locally significant date on which as many people who are willing to do so act to 'End the Lockdown' in that country. Using a locally relevant focus, or perhaps several, for which many people would traditionally be together – a cultural or sporting event, a community activity such as working to establish a community garden to increase local self-reliance, a birthday celebration and/or a return to work – we can mobilize people to collectively resist the coup that is taking place. Because the actions taken will be dispersed with large numbers of people responding in a vast number of locations, it will be impossible for police and military forces to inflict violent repression against everyone, particularly if local organizers have implemented the points in 'Nonviolent Action: Minimizing the Risk of Violent Repression'.

Equally importantly to any of the points above, particularly given the pressing threat of human extinction – see 'Human Extinction Now Imminent and Inevitable? A Report on the State of Planet Earth' – but also because becoming more self-reliant is vital to our ongoing capacity to resist elite encroachments on our rights, freedom and economic security, consider joining those participating in 'The Flame Tree Project to Save Life on Earth'. This project also explains how to take full advantage of non-monetary forms of community where goods and services are exchanged directly, without money as a medium of exchange. Money only has value in certain types of economy and these types of economy must be superseded if humans are to survive.

And given the enormous pressure on children at the moment, as their lives are upended, it would be useful to spend time listening to them. Of course, if you know an adult who is having trouble coping, it will help them enormously as well if you listen while giving them the opportunity to talk about, and focus on feeling, their own emotional reactions to what is taking place. See 'Nisteling: The Art of Deep Listening'. If you do not have anyone who can listen to you, try 'Putting Feelings First'.

Moreover, because the foundation of this entire elite-controlled world, and the coup it is now implementing, is the submissively obedient individual, the world can only be rebuilt as we might like it if we stop terrorizing children into being submissive. So I would start by parenting and educating children so that they become powerful. See 'My Promise to Children' and 'Do We Want School or Education?'

In addition, if you would like to better understand the origin, identity and behaviour of the global elite and why it is insane, see the section headed 'How the World Works' in 'Why Activists Fail' and the articles 'Exposing the Giants: The Global Power Elite' and 'The Global Elite is Insane Revisited' and the many references cited in these documents. For a deeper understanding of why elite and other human violence is so pervasive, see 'Why Violence?' and 'Fearless Psychology and Fearful Psychology: Principles and Practice'.

Finally, as touched on above, apart from the ongoing elite coup the Earth is under siege from our assaults on a vast range of fronts. See <u>'Human Extinction Now Imminent and Inevitable? A Report on the State of Planet Earth'</u>. So if we are serious about tackling this crisis too, we must be willing to consider committing to:

Conclusion

Given that the statistics clearly show that the COVID-19 'pandemic' is already fading in most places where it previously had serious impact, it is possible that the global elite will not complete its execution of this coup against humanity in the near future. It will be content with the demonstration of its phenomenal power to manipulate populations into passively submitting to its bidding and defer its final putsch for a short time.

If that is the case, the damage wrought by this socalled pandemic – on our rights, freedoms, economic security, opportunities, democratic governance, the global economy and the environment – will be irreparable and it would take many years to even restore a partial version of what we thought we had while knowing that they can be taken away, again, at any time just as they were on this occasion.

But, quite frankly, if I was a member of the global elite and had witnessed the remarkably submissive manner in which even activists were deceived by the COVID-19 coup, I would advocate for completing the coup now and lock us down, force-vaccinate us with our own unique digital ID and surveillance chip, and promptly implement all of the measures necessary to take final control of the prison planet previously known as Earth.

However, because I am not a member of the global elite, I will continue to draw attention to what is taking place and encourage people to resist in the strategic ways I have outlined above.

And then do what I can to ensure that as many people as possible, who are powerful enough to do so, respond before it is too late.

I would rather act sooner, while we still have some room to move, rather than later, when we might have much less.

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The Earth Pledge

Out of love for the Earth and all of its creatures, and my respect for their needs, from this day onwards I pledge that:

- 1. I will listen deeply to children (see explanation above)
- 2. I will not travel by plane
- 3. I will not travel by car
- 4. I will not eat meat and fish
- 5. I will only eat organically/biodynamically grown food
- 6. I will minimize the amount of fresh water I use, including by minimizing my ownership and use of electronic devices
- 7. I will not buy rainforest timber
- 8. I will not buy or use single-use plastic, such as bags, bottles, containers, cups and straws
- 9. I will not use banks, superannuation (pension) funds or insurance companies that provide any service to corporations involved in fossil fuels, nuclear power and/or weapons
- 10. I will not accept employment from, or invest in, any organization that supports or participates in the exploitation of fellow human beings or profits from killing and/or destruction of the biosphere
- 11. I will not get news from the corporate media (mainstream newspapers, television, radio, Google, Facebook, Twitter...)
- 12. I will make the effort to learn a skill, such as food gardening or sewing, that makes me more self-reliant
- 13. I will gently encourage my family and friends to consider signing this pledge.

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