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"An Open Letter To All Student In All Schools and Colleges in Cambridge"

All Students and Teachers in the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School, hereinafter, to be known as C.R.L.S. should immediately organize themselves into a working committee calling for the continued policing of the global atmosphere. They should be urging the U.S. Government to call on the United Nations to increase its authority to police the global atmosphere and "for appropriate measures" to enforce its directives.

There should be an appeal coming from C.R.L.S. students to the U.S. Government in Washington to take swift steps to organize worldwide protection of the earth's threatened atmosphere.

American people are aware, and they are worried. There should be a "world authority". The authority should have power to police the global atmosphere. America should endorse such an authority and should join in negotiating the proposal new United Nation Authority and financing its operations. The U.S. should endorse principals that are in fact radical. Anything less would not serve us. "The authority MUST have power". The big governments of the world must give their agreement to such an authority. Without them it won't work. Britain, China, the Soviet Union, the United States and Canada, are among the world's greatest polluters of the atmosphere.

The Student Committee should be called "C.R.L.S. GLOBE", and should be mainly concerned with advocating for an authority with power to impose sanctions on governments refusing to heed antipollution rules it would lay down. Students should (may) distribute label buttons stamped with "GLOBE" in bold letters.

"The authority could be developed within the framework of the United Nations, by creating a new authority (Council?), which, in the context of the presentation of the earth's atmosphere, shall be responsible for combating any further global warming of the atmosphere and shall involve such decision making procedures as may be effective even if, on occasion, unanimous agreement has not been achieved". The language about specific powers and procedures of such a global authority could be left open to further negotiation among all United Nations Members. Some world people don't like the word "sanctions". Maybe they might think about the words "appropriate measures". Poor countries would get help from the rich countries.

There should be a C.R.L.S. Student-Teacher Conference, underlining students and teachers' view that swift action is needed to protect the earth's ozone layer. Scientists say the ozone has come under particular attack from CHLOROFLUOROCARBONS, or CFC's, in gases widely used in refrigeration equipment and aerosol spray propellants.

Increasing clear scientific evidence of damage to the ozone layer has given a sense of urgency to politicians' desire to deal with the issue. From my talk with many politicians from time to time, I have learned that those politicians from all parts of America, including Puerto Rico, have recognized environmentalism as a major issue with their growing constituency. Now's the time for all C.R.L.S. students and teachers to come together to help save the global atmosphere. Tomorrow maybe to late! There entire student body faculty should be alerted to the dangers of CHLOROFLUOROCARBONS. Cambridge C.R.L.S. should take the lead in world high schools. Don't Dream About It! DO IT! Start now and watch the chain reaction. How about inviting Harvard and M.I.T. scientists to lecture students and teachers on the subject.

P.S. Good Question! Should all children in all elementary schools be taught the dangers of CHLOROFLUOROCARBONS? I say yes!

Another P.S. Should all private schools and colleges in Cambridge be organized into one big mass of organized effort to protect the ozone? I say yes!

Very truly yours,

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