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ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS ISSUE POLICY BRIEF ON ELECTROSMOG

with guidance to governments, legislators, environmental organizations, schools, and religious, political and community leaders.

SANTA FE, N.M. – A growing list of environmental organizations worldwide are supporting a first-ever Policy Brief on Electrosmog for global application. The brief defines electrosmog as "the totality of the electric fields, magnetic fields, and electromagnetic radiation that bathes us 24/7 from all electrical and electronic devices, electric wires, power lines, and wireless devices and antennas."

The document was developed in response to an emergency situation in which the irradiation of the earth is accelerating at such a rapid rate that it has become the single most urgent threat to life. The recommended actions to political leaders, government agencies, etc. provide a path to health and survival.

The document opens with key points, an introduction, and a purpose statement. It proceeds to essential actions that should be taken in order to counter this threat to our future, and concludes with a list of scientific references. It outlines elements of a suggested international treaty as well as actions that should be taken by governments, schools, churches, environmental organizations and others to address this emergency. The policy brief addresses radiation on land, in the oceans, and in space, and includes recommendations about wireless technologies, radar, and satellites.

Most governments defer for guidance on electrosmog to the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) or the World Health Organization, which also defers to ICNIRP. ICNIRP is not an environmental agency but rather "a self-appointed private organization with 14 members answerable to no one". The policy brief prescribes that "RF radiation should be regulated transparently within each nation by their own environmental agencies based on the totality of science. It should be addressed within the UN not by the World Health Organization, but by the United Nations Environment Program, which presently does not address it at all".



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