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Death by Global Warming?

Working Thesis: How do global warming policies around the world affect climate change?

DE LAS HERAS, BEATRIZ PÉREZ. "The European Union, the United States, and China Dialogue on Climate Change: Respective Policies and Mutual Synergies for a World Climate Order." *Georgetown International Environmental Law Review*, vol. 26, no. 1, Fall2013, pp. 13-46. EBSCOhost, search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=a9h&AN=96060560&site=ehost-live.

The European Union, the United States, and China all have the same view on climate change. They see how it has devastated the economy and international security. These three super powers now see climate change as a global threat and has started to work together to combat global warming. As China begins its own clean revolution the United States and the European Union should not fall behind and work hard to help in their own way. By having three world super powers working towards combatting climate change, it will influence other countries to help as well.

This article is a secondary source because it interprets and analyzes primary sources. A primary source in this case would be an official document stating the policies

of the individual countries but this article is writing about the events that are taking place and is not a document or physical object written during the time of the study. This is a popular source because it does not provide citations for all the sources used nor has it been peer reviewed by experts in the same field. The article's author talks about their opinions on what could happen as world powers work together to fight against climate change. This article is related because it gives me information as to which countries are working together to combat global warming and what their policies are.

Hilton, Isabel. "The Reality of Global Warming." *World Policy Journal*, vol. 25, no. 1, Spring2008, pp. 1-8. EBSCOhost, search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=a9h&AN=32695579&site=ehost-live.

The article tells you what exactly is global warming and what can be done to help lessen the pressure on Earth. It goes through the history of climate research and tells you the significance of the data. The author of the article warns us of our limited time that humans have to stabilize carbon dioxide emissions.

This is a secondary source because it examines the history of climate change and the data analyzed was not taken personally by the author. It is a scholarly source because it is published by the *World Policy Journal* and through their process, their articles are usually peer reviewed by others familiarized with global affairs.

Lempinen, Edward W. and Ginger Pinholster. "Facing the Impact of Global Warming."

Science, vol. 304, no. 5679, 25 June 2004, pp. 1921-1922. EBSCOhost, search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=a9h&AN=13655817&site=ehost-live.

The article talks about how sea levels are rising, islands are sinking, and rivers are vanishing due to global warming. The author stresses the fact that data about climate change should be easily made accessible to the policy-makers of the world such as the major powers like Europe and United States.

This article is a secondary source because the author compiled the latest research findings and temperature projections from various climate experts. This is a popular source because this was not written for experts of climate change but instead a more general audience to spread the word about global warming.

Michel, David. "Foxes, Hedgehogs, and Greenhouse Governance: Knowledge,

Uncertainty, and International Policy-Making in a Warming World." Applied Energy, vol. 86, no. 2, Feb. 2009, pp. 258-264. EBSCOhost, doi:10.1016/j.apenergy.2008.05.004.

The article talks about how choices that affect the environment and the public should be carefully considered before acting. The author stresses the fact that it is very difficult for people all over the world to work together towards combatting climate change because there are many different parties adopting different climate measures. The article states that we have to engage these issues directly in order for policy-makers to better formulate good strategies to fight against climate change.

This is a scholarly source because it is written by a climate change expert for other climate change experts. It is also published in *Applied Energy*, a journal dedicated on innovation, research, development, and demonstration in energy conversion and conservation. This is a secondary source because it compiles information from other sources.

Delingpole, James. "Climate Change: The Greatest-Ever Conspiracy Against The Taxpayer." *Breitbart*. Breitbart News, 28 Mar. 2016. Web. 05 Mar. 2017.

This source focuses on the fact that global warming is a fraud and that they are wasting the taxpayer's money. The author quotes PJ O' Rourke's saying, "Giving money and power to government is like giving whiskey and car keys to teenage boys." The article also states that the Climate Change Business Journal has spent \$1.5 trillion a year. Delingpole compares the global warming industry to the online shopping industry, saying that the shopping industry grew because it's what people wanted and that the global warming industry is a conspiracy against the taxpayer. The article belittles global warming and makes it seem insignificant and attempts to convince its audience that all the money going into researching climate change is a sham.

This web source is a blog post on a popular news source. The information from the article is not directly related to climate change but rather information taken from elsewhere which makes this source a secondary source. Since this was not written for experts on climate change nor a scholarly journal, this is a popular source. This article is not reliable because the author has no credentials and the fact that this is a blog post

makes this unreliable. This article gives me information on the viewpoints of people who think global warming is a minor problem and allows me to prepare a counter-argument.

Lineman, Maurice, et al. "Talking about Climate Change and Global Warming." Plos ONE, vol. 10, no. 9, 29 Sept. 2015, pp. 1-12. EBSCOhost, doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0138996.

This source discusses the study of using Relative search volume patterns for terms such as global warming and climate change to see how well-informed the public is. They found that the awareness of these terms was an increase in publicity in either a bad or good way. They concluded that having awareness or knowledge of a topic is related to its public exposure in social media.

This source is reliable because the authors are affiliated with the College of Natural Sciences, Department of Biological Sciences and Pusan National University, South Korea. This is a primary source because they have done this study themselves and not summarizing or concluding information from other studies or sources. This source is also a scholarly source because it was written for experts in climate change and social media. This source is helpful to me because it tells me the relationship between how global warming is viewed depending on how social media gives it publicity.

Global Warming 101. National Geographic, n.d. Web. 27 Mar. 2017.

The video talks about the facts of global warming. It tells us that scientists believe that Earth has been experiencing higher temperatures every year and that the cause is human intervention. Since people are burning fossil fuels and through the advancement

of technology such as the industrial revolution, greenhouse gases are being produced and trap the sun's energy on the earth through a process called the greenhouse effect. The video gives evidence of global warming by temperature statistics and measurements of gases in the atmosphere. The film warns us that if humans continue their trend of pollution, it will increase sea levels and flood islands and increasing the occurrences of hurricanes, droughts, and extinction of animal species that are unable to adapt. At the end of the film, it tells us a couple of ways that we can help prevent global warming: save energy around house, switching different lightbulbs, and driving less miles.

This video is a secondary source since it takes statistics and information that other scientists have done on global warming and compacting it into a single source. This is a popular source since it is on National Geographic and they're known for giving general information about the environment. Even though this is a popular source, this video is reliable because it is published on National Geographic. National Geographic is a nonprofit organization but it is also one of the largest ones in the world. This video gives me some general information about global warming and sums up the context of it well.

"Carbon Dioxide Concentration | NASA Global Climate Change." NASA. NASA, 23

Sept. 2016. Web. 27 Mar. 2017.

This website shows a chart depicting the measurements of carbon dioxide from 2005 to present time. It gives us a brief description of what carbon dioxide is: a gas created through human activities that traps heat on the Earth. It gives us a second chart showing the highest historical carbon dioxide level. The third item on the website gives

us a time series from 2002-2014 showing us how the Mid-Tropospheric carbon dioxide has been throughout the years.

This website is a secondary source since it compiles carbon dioxide statistics from other sources. This is a popular source because NASA is touted as part of the United States government and deals with space and atmosphere. This is a reliable source because it is a .gov website which means the government supports this website. The charts and graphs on this website shows that carbon dioxide has been increasing throughout the years which is supported by my previous knowledge about carbon dioxide. This is useful to me because it tells me the rate of growth at which carbon dioxide has grown throughout the past decade and gives my statistics and numbers to use which makes my paper more credible.