In Memoriam

Dr. Zbigniew Jaworowski: Fighting for the Truth

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Dr. Zbigniew Jaworowski died on Nov. 12, while undergoing surgery in Warsaw. He was 84. An atmospheric chemist, radiation specialist, and medical doctor, Professor Jaworowski was a frequent contributor to 21st Century Science & Technology and EIR. He fought fearlessly for the truth, with major original contributions on subjects including the Chernobyl radiation hysteria, the Linear No-Threshold theory, and global warming, and he weathered every attack on him for his views with courage and equanimity.

As the head of radiation protection for Poland at the time of the Chernobyl accident, he pushed the then-Communist regime (in the middle of the night) to act quickly to provide all Polish children with potassium iodide to protect their thyroids against the radioactive iodine released in the accident. Reflecting later on his action, he realized that the radiation levels were elevated, but too low to cause the reaction he was worried about at the time. Later he wrote several scientific analyses of Chernobyl, debunking the exaggerated claims of radiation damage stemming from the nuclear accident, which were published in technical journals and in 21st Century. His most recent expose of the wild lies and radiophobia can be found at www.21stcenturysciencetech.com. He also fought against the Linear No-Threshold theory of radiation, which falsely holds that any amount of radiation, down to zero, is bad.

An avid explorer and mountain climber, Dr. Jaworowski made scientific observations on mountain glaciers on five continents. He first measured the carbon dioxide content of atmospheric air at Spitzbergen in 1957-58. His knowledge of the complex processes of ice formation led him to question the validity of historical CO₂ records that are based on analysis of absorbed gas in ice cores. In a 1992 article with Norwegian geologist Tom Victor Segelstad, he challenged the CO₂ historical record by showing that the melting and re-



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freezing of ice layers, under actual, continuously varying conditions of wind and temperature, eliminated any record of the original atmospheric content of the gas.

Dr. Jaworowski became an outspoken opponent of the global warming fraud, and came to recognize the Malthusian genocidal aims of its proponents. (See the January 2010 interview in 21st Century, "Global Warming: A Lie Aimed at Destroying Civilization").

From 1972 to 1991, he investigated the history of pollution of the global atmosphere, measuring the dust preserved in 17 glaciers: in the Tatra Mountains in Poland, in the Arctic, Antarctic, Alaska, Norway, the Alps, the Himalayas, the Ruwenzori Mountains in Uganda, and the Peruvian Andes. Dr. Jaworowski was a member of the UN Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation (UNSCEAR) from 1973 to 2010, and served as its chairman from 1980-82. He held three advanced degrees, Doctor of Medicine, a Ph.D., and Doctor of Science in the natural sciences.

Born in Krakow in 1927, he was 12 years old when World War II began. After the Germans closed all the secondary schools and universities in Poland, he studied clandestinely, learning several modern languages as well as Greek, Latin, and some Sanskrit. He read widely during those years—literary Classics, science, history, and poetry, and often cited Shakespeare and other Classical history in his writings. Dr. Jaworowski published more than 300 scientific papers and four books, and he wrote and edited many scientific documents for UNSCEAR, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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