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The Hon. Alex Chernov, Chancellor  
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Dear Mr Chernov and Professor Davis:

**Re: Falsities spread by University of Melbourne Professor David Karoly**

Please recall my formal complaint dated Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 to the Chancellor. It exposed a false statement by Professor David Karoly broadcast by ABC-TV's '4 Corners' program on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

In his false statement, Professor Karoly contradicted solid data. Yet the Chancellor's response dated November, 23, 2009 (copy enclosed) expressed the Chancellor's opinion that Professor Karoly was merely exercising his right to express opinion.

I concluded that the University of Melbourne's Chancellor either condones apparently blatant contravention of fact as expressions of opinion, or, possibly that the Chancellor was not aware of the gravity of Professor Karoly's public misrepresenting of climate and science. From what I have seen, Professor Karoly's misrepresentations have contributed to misleading the public, media and politicians.

Referring to the Chancellor's letter, please note that I have engaged in what the Chancellor refers to as my freedom to engage in open correspondence with proponents whose views differ. Sadly, despite engaging Professor Karoly, none of his responses during the past 15 months provides any specific, scientifically measured real-world evidence for his oft-repeated core claim that human production of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) caused global warming.

Prior to lodging my formal complaint I gave Professor Karoly the opportunity to personally rectify his false statement. In his response Professor Karoly relied upon reports by the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the UN IPCC.

Please refer to the enclosed paper copy of my e-mail sent to Professor Karoly on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011. It was simultaneously copied to you both electronically. Please note the apparently flagrant and repeated contradiction of proven real-world data by Professor Karoly's statements broadcast by ABC-TV News on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Note that in response to my requests in the e-mail, Professor Karoly has failed to provide any evidence for his unfounded statements.

Notes are enclosed for you. These expose UN IPCC reports as fraudulent. My comments are based on extensive reading and discussions with eminent scientists internationally during the last four (4) years and on data obtained from the UN IPCC itself.

Please note the use of data from UN IPCC Expert Science Reviewer Dr Vincent Gray (PhD Cambridge). He has reviewed all four UN IPCC reports—1990, 1995, 2001 and 2007.

The notes and e-mail copy reveal Professor Karoly's questionable role within the UN IPCC. I conclude that Professor Karoly's reliance on the UN IPCC is ill-founded and misrepresents climate and science. In my view, his reliance on the UN IPCC completely undermines his scientific integrity and/or credibility. At the very least, it questions his scientific ability.

Are you aware of Professor Karoly's deep involvement in manufacturing UN IPCC reports? His claim is the same as the UN IPCC's core claim about human production of CO<sub>2</sub>. Are you aware UN IPCC reports do not provide any real-world scientific evidence for Professor Karoly's core claim?

The Chancellor's response of November 23, 2009 did not specifically address the second, third, fourth and fifth complaints made in my original letter of November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011. **In light of the enclosed, I hope you can see the need to reconsider my original complaint.**

**On this occasion I make no formal complaint. I merely seek your acknowledgment of receipt of this letter and its enclosures. Please advise what action you will be taking to ensure scientific integrity in public statements made and broadcast by professors representing the University of Melbourne?**

I hope that you both agree that professors expressing opinions in their field are responsible for ensuring their statements are accurate and consistent with the publicly available, recognised and accepted historical and scientific data. Please confirm your agreement or otherwise with my expectation.

Please consider whether or not the Chancellor's opinion of Professor Karoly's contravention of solid data could be seen as endorsement by Professor Karoly to continue spreading falsities. Does the University of Melbourne take responsibility for the statements made by Professor Karoly on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011?

Please note my two simple requests of Professor Karoly as expressed in my e-mail to him. I seek no punishment of him. I merely seek public acknowledgment by Professor Karoly of his serious misrepresentation of real-world data. I seek restoration of Melbourne University's scientific integrity.

If needed, I will be pleased to discuss this with you personally in Melbourne. In that event I will pay for my travel costs.

This letter provides you with an opportunity to determine your legacy to the University of Melbourne and to demonstrate your support or otherwise for real-world science. I hope you choose to demonstrate you value integrity.

Yours sincerely,

### **Originals personally signed**

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Enclosures:

- Notes
- E-mail to Professor Karoly dated January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011
- Copy of Chancellor's letter dated November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009

cc

Professor David Karoly

Electronically to federal Members of Parliament

ABC-TV's '4 Corner' program Producer, Lin Buckfield

ABC-TV's Audience and Consumer Affairs

Margot O'Neill, ABC-TV 'Lateline' program journalist

Electronically to interested scientists, select journalists and interested citizens