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Why The WHO Faked A Pandemic

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The World Health Organization has suddenly gone from crying "The sky is falling!" like a cackling Chicken Little to squealing like a stuck pig. The reason: charges that the agency deliberately fomented swine flu hysteria. "The world is going through a real pandemic. The description of it as a fake is wrong and irresponsible," the [agency claims](#) on its Web site. A WHO spokesman [declined to specify](#) who or what gave this "description," but the primary accuser is hard to ignore.

The [Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe](#) (PACE), a human rights watchdog, is [publicly investigating](#) the WHO's motives in declaring a pandemic. Indeed, the chairman of its influential health committee, epidemiologist Wolfgang Wodarg, [has declared that](#) the "false pandemic" is "one of the greatest medicine scandals of the century."

The screenshot shows the WHO website's Epidemic and Pandemic Alert and Response (EPR) page. A red box highlights the definition of an influenza pandemic as of May 2009:

An influenza pandemic
An influenza pandemic occurs when a new influenza virus appears against which the human population has no immunity, resulting in several, simultaneous epidemics worldwide with enormous numbers of deaths and illness. With the increase in global transport and communications, as well as urbanization and overcrowded conditions, epidemics due to the new influenza virus are likely to quickly take hold around the world.

WHO definition of "pandemic" prior to May 2009 (archive located at [WayBackMachine](#))

This was the official WHO flu pandemic definition before it rewrote it to match up to swine flu. Now it claims this definition never even existed.

Even within the agency, the [director of the WHO Collaborating Center for Epidemiology](#) in Munster, Germany, Dr. Ulrich Kiel, has [essentially labeled](#) the pandemic a hoax. "We are witnessing a gigantic misallocation of resources [[\\$18 billion](#) so far] in terms of public health," he said.

They're right. This wasn't merely overcautiousness or simple misjudgment. The [pandemic declaration](#) and all the Klaxon-ringing since reflect sheer dishonesty motivated not by medical concerns but political ones.

Unquestionably, swine flu has proved to be vastly milder than ordinary seasonal flu. It kills at a third to a tenth the rate, [according to](#) U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates. Data from other countries like [France](#) and [Japan](#) indicate it's far tamer than that.

Indeed, judging by what we've seen in [New Zealand](#) and [Australia](#) (where the epidemics have ended), and by what we're seeing [elsewhere in the world](#), we'll have considerably fewer flu deaths this season than normal. That's because swine flu muscles aside seasonal flu, acting as a sort of inoculation against the far deadlier strain.

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Did the WHO have any indicators of this mildness when it [declared the pandemic](#) in June?

Absolutely, [as I wrote at the time](#). We were then fully 11 weeks into the outbreak and swine flu had only killed [144 people](#) worldwide—the same number who die of seasonal flu worldwide every few hours. (An estimated 250,000 to 500,000 per year [by the WHO's own numbers](#).) The *mildest* pandemics of the 20th century killed at least [a million](#) people.

But how could the organization declare a pandemic when its own [official definition](#) required "simultaneous epidemics worldwide with enormous numbers of deaths and illness." Severity—that is, the number of deaths—is crucial, because every year flu causes "a global spread of disease."

Easy. In May, in what it [admitted](#) was a direct response to the [outbreak of swine flu](#) the month before, [WHO](#) promulgated [a new definition](#) matched to swine flu that simply eliminated severity as a factor. You could now have a pandemic with zero deaths.

Under fire, the organization is boldly lying about the change, to which anybody with an Internet connection can attest. In a mid-January virtual conference WHO swine flu chief Keiji Fukuda [stated](#): "Did WHO change its definition of a pandemic? The answer is no: WHO did not change its definition." Two weeks later at a PACE conference [he insisted](#): "Having severe deaths has never been part of the WHO definition."



Repeatedly WHO flu "czar" Keiji Fukuda has lied about the change in the WHO definition, showing the agency definitely has something to hide.

They did it; but why?

In part, it was CYA for the WHO. The agency was losing credibility over the refusal of [avian flu H5N1](#) to go pandemic and kill as many as [150 million people](#) worldwide, as its "flu czar" had predicted in 2005.

Around the world nations heeded the warnings and spent vast sums developing vaccines and making other preparations. So when swine flu conveniently trotted in, the WHO essentially crossed out "avian," inserted "swine," and WHO Director-General [Margaret Chan](#) arrogantly [boasted](#), "The world can now reap the benefits of investments over the last five years in pandemic preparedness."

But there's more than bureaucratic self-interest at work here. Bizarrely enough, the WHO has also exploited its phony pandemic to push a hard left political agenda.

In a [September speech](#) WHO Director-General Chan said "ministers of health" should take advantage of the "devastating impact" swine flu will have on poorer nations to get out the message that "changes in the functioning of the global economy" are needed to "distribute wealth on the basis of" values "like community, solidarity, equity and social justice." She further declared it should be used as a weapon against "international policies and systems that govern financial markets, economies, commerce, trade and foreign affairs."

Chan's dream now lies in tatters. All the WHO has done, says PACE's Wodarg, is to destroy "much of the credibility that they should have, which is invaluable to us if there's a future scare that might turn out to be a killer on a large scale."

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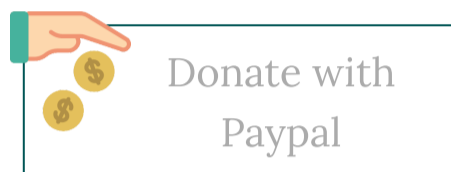
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