## Cop28 draft climate deal criticized as 'grossly insufficient' and 'incoherent'

<u>Fiona Harvey</u>, <u>Patrick Greenfield</u>, <u>Nina Lakhani</u> and <u>Adam Morton</u> in Dubai, and <u>Damian</u> <u>Carrington</u> - Guardian

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A draft deal to cut global fossil fuel production is "grossly insufficient" and "incoherent" and will not stop the world from facing dangerous climate breakdown, (SO MY QUESTION? WHY DO IT) - according to delegates at the UN's Cop28 summit.

The Cop28 presidency <u>released a draft text in the early evening</u> on Monday, which called for "reducing both consumption and production of fossil fuels, in a just, orderly and equitable manner, so as to achieve net zero by, before or around 2050, in keeping with the science". Got To Love That One – UAE Sultan said earlier in the week there is no science to prove reducing fossil fuel output will impact climate change.

The text avoids highly contentious calls for a "<u>phase-out</u>" or "<u>phase-down</u>" of fossil fuels, which have been the focus of deep disagreement among the more than 190 countries meeting in Dubai.

But **instead of requiring fossil fuel producers to cut their output**, it frames such reductions as <u>optional</u>, by calling on countries to "take actions that <u>could include</u>" reducing fossil fuels. "That one word 'could' just kills everything,"

**Saudi Arabia** has been trying throughout the conference to insist on the term **fossil fuel** emissions, in place of fossil fuel production, - just playing word games!

The **Alliance of Small Island States** (AOSIS), an intergovernmental organization, has already indicated its members will not approve the agreement in its current form and has criticized the negotiations as lacking transparency and inclusivity. "We will not sign our **death certificate**."

#### From - Reuters

### Germany cannot support COP 28 draft deal - foreign minister

#### From - Financial Times

FirstFT: COP28 draft agreement omits phaseout of fossil fuels

Even CNN - Oh my!

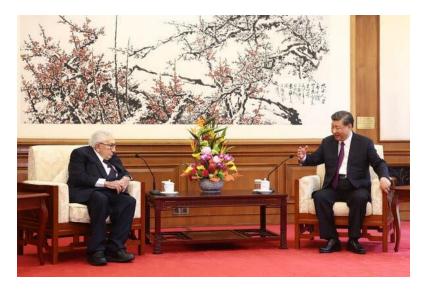
# 'Verge of complete failure': Climate summit draft drops the mention of fossil fuel phase-out, angering advocates



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#### November 30, 2023

**Henry Kissinger**, the former secretary of state under Richard Nixon who became one of the most prominent and controversial figures of <u>US foreign policy</u> in the 20th century, has died. He was 100. **His consulting firm Kissinger Associates <u>announced</u>** his death in a statement on Wednesday evening, <u>but did not disclose a cause.</u> **Mr. Blinken** said on Wednesday (Nov 30<sup>th</sup>) that he last received advice from Mr. Kissinger as recently as a month ago.





**King Charles** dealt with Racism charges – week of opening.

Pope health kept him from attending COP 28

Pope Francis was to inaugurate a 'Faith Pavilion' event organized by the UN and Muslim leaders in an effort to use world religions to promote climate policies. . Due to the Pope's health - His designated representative had to read his written report he didn't have the lung capacity to participate via video links.

**Kerry** has flatulence –

**Gates** – seems to have a low profile at COP 28 – except this one article - Alongside his climate activism, *Gates is the majority owner of budding nuclear power player Terrapower*, which is currently <u>facing questions</u> over the source of its uranium fuel source before being given blessing to develop by the UK government.