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Greenpeace gets a (small) taste of its own medicine

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In a hard-hitting [essay](#), Paul Driessen accuses Greenpeace and its 'Big Green' accomplices of being threats to the health and economic well-being of developing countries worldwide. Under the guise of concern for the environment, he says, these organizations fight genetically engineered crops that could save millions from blindness and mitigate the effects of hazards such as lengthy droughts.

At last, at least some are pushing back. Canada, for example, has terminated Greenpeace's tax-exempt status because of its intense lobbying efforts. India's Intelligence Bureau, Mr. Driessen points out,

has [identified](#) Greenpeace as "a threat to national economic security."

ACSH's Dr. Elizabeth Whelan considers Greenpeace "a real threat to public health worldwide." She continues "I'm pleased to see that at least some countries — both in the first and the developing world — are recognizing the organization for what it is. It's interested in its own health (especially financial) rather than that of the people it claims to be protecting. Any objective tally of the group's impacts would find that responsibility for millions of premature deaths — from malaria, from vitamin A deficiency, among others — can be at least partially—if not largely—laid at their door. Yet few are aware of their anti-human depredations."

ACSH's Dr. Josh Bloom comments, "It's about time that people are taking a long hard look at Greenpeace. The group has pretty much gotten a free pass because they are generally perceived as 'good.' But the closer you look, the more you see that a group that was supposed to help protect the planet from pollution or overfishing — both good causes — has become radical to the point where they now seem to put the environment (or other cause du jour) far ahead of the well-being of humans. Perhaps they should be put to bed without dinner, since they are responsible for many others not even having dinner."

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