

ATTACHMENT 3.**GOVERNMENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT BAN OR WARN AGAINST WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY**

1993: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): The FCC's exposure standards are "seriously flawed."

Official comments to the FCC on guidelines for evaluation of electromagnetic effects of radio frequency radiation, FCC Docket ET 93-62, November 9, 1993.

1993: Food and Drug Administration (FDA): "FCC rules do not address the issue of long-term, chronic exposure to RF fields." Comments of the FDA to the FCC, November 10, 1993.

1993: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH): The FCC's standard is inadequate because it "is based on only one dominant mechanism—adverse health effects caused by body heating." Comments of NIOSH to the FCC, January 11, 1994.

1994: Amateur Radio Relay League Bio-Effects Committee: "The FCC's standard does not protect against non-thermal effects." Comments of the ARRL Bio-Effects Committee to the FCC, January 7, 1994.

2000: UK Department of Education: Children under 16 should not use cell phones except in an emergency. http://www.cellular.co.za/news_2000/news-08052000_uk_schools_warned_over_radiation.htm

2002: Interdisciplinary Society for Environmental Medicine (3000 physicians in Germany) recommends banning cell phone use by children and banning cell phones and cordless phones in preschools, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, events halls, public buildings and vehicles. http://www.powerwatch.org.uk/pdfs/20021019_englisch.pdf

2003: American Bird Conservancy and Forest Conservation Council: Brought a lawsuit against the FCC because millions of migratory birds were being disoriented by microwave radiation and crashing into cell towers. http://www.ewire.com/display.cfm/Wire_ID/1498

2004: International Association of Fire Fighters opposes communication antennas on fire stations. <http://www.iaff.org/HS/Facts/CellTowerFinal.asp>

2005: Salzburg, Austria's Public Health Department bans WLAN and DECT phones in public schools. <http://www.safeinschool.org/2011/01/wi-fi-is-removed-from-schools-and.html>

August 2005: Austrian Medical Association: Warns against Wi-Fi, cordless phones, and cell phone use by children. http://www.thepeoplesinitiative.org/Wifi_and_Schools.html

August 2005: Vienna Medical Association warns against Wi-Fi, and cell phone use by children up to age 16. http://www.mastsanity.org/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=2&Itemid=64

2006: Frankfurt, Germany's government states it will not install WiFi in its schools until it has been shown to be harmless. http://www.icems.eu/docs/deutscher_bundestag.pdf

2006: UK schools remove their wireless networks: Prebandal Preparatory School, Chichester, West Sussex; Ysgol Pantycelyn School in Carmarthenshire, Wales; and Stowe School, in Buckinghamshire, England. London Times, November 20, 2006. http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/life_and_style/education/article642575.ece

2007: Ballinderry Primary School, Ireland: Removed Wi-Fi to protect young children. <http://www.safeinschool.org/2011/01/wi-fi-is-removed-from-schools-and.html>

2007 Bavaria, Germany's Parliament recommends against Wi-Fi in schools. http://www.icems.eu/docs/deutscher_bundestag.pdf

2007 Australian Democrats: The "explosion in wireless communications technology" is causing widespread illness. http://www.democrats.org.au/docs/2007/Joining_the_Dots_ExecSummary.pdf

2007: European Environmental Agency, Europe's top environmental watchdog, calls for immediate action to reduce exposure to radiation from Wi-Fi, mobile phones and their masts. http://www.nzherald.co.nz/world/news/article.cfm?c_id=2&objectid=10463870

2008: International Commission on Electromagnetic Safety (comprised of scientists from 16 nations): Recommends limiting cell phone use by children, teenagers, pregnant women and the elderly. <http://www.icems.eu/resolution.htm>

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2007: Therold, Ontario closes down its citywide Wi-Fi pilot scheme. <http://www.glastonburynaturalhealth.co.uk/WhyWi-Fi.html>

2008: Lakehead University, Ontario bans Wi-Fi on campus. <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/story/2010/08/15/ontario-wifi.html>

2008: Madhya Pradesh, India: Bans cell phones in schools by both students and teachers. http://www.indiaedunews.net/Madhya_Pradesh/Teachers_students_unhappy_with_mobile_phone_ban_in_schools_5241/

2008: National Library of France: Removes Wi-Fi because of health concerns and limits installation to cable connections. <http://www.next-up.org>

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2008: Paris, France removes Wi-Fi from four public libraries because of health concerns. http://www.accessmylibrary.com/coms2/summary_0286-35451555_ITM

2008 Sainte-Geneviève University, Paris: Removes Wi-Fi from its library because of health concerns. <http://www.next-up.org/pdf/AnalysisWiFiHotSpotsDeactivationSainteGenevieveLibraryParis24052008.pdf>

2008: Progressive Librarians Guild recommends against wireless technology in libraries. <http://libr.org/plg/wifiresolution.php>

2008: Russian National Committee for Non-ionizing Radiation Protection warns that cell phones are unsafe even for short conversations. Children under 16, pregnant women, epileptics, and people with memory loss, sleep disorders and neurological diseases should never use cell phones. http://www.radiationresearch.org/pdfs/rncnirp_children.pdf

2008 Sebastopol, California: Reneges on its contract to install citywide Wi-Fi. <http://www.boingboing.net/2008/03/24/town-of-sebastopol-c.html>

2008: University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute: Children should never use a cell phone except in an emergency. <http://www.post-gazette.com/pg/08205/898803-114.stm>

2008: Voice (UK Teachers Union) calls for a ban on Wi-Fi in schools. http://www.voicetheunion.org.uk/index.cfm/page/_sections.content.cfm/cid/1326/navid/434/parentid/330

2009: Hérouville Saint-Clair, France: Bans Wi-Fi in public schools. <http://www.wifiinschools.org.uk/4.html>

2009: Irish Doctors Environmental Association: Warns that current safety guidelines are "not appropriate." <http://www.ideaireland.org/>

2009: Karnataka State, India: Bans cell phones in all schools and pre-university colleges. <http://www.hindu.com/2009/09/14/stories/2009091454460500.htm>

May 2009: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service urges Congress to focus on the potential connection between electromagnetic fields and "Bee Colony Collapse". <http://electromagnetichealth.org/electromagnetic-health-blog/emf-and-warnke-report-on-bees-birds-and-mankind/>

December, 2010: French Parliament passes a law prohibiting advertising cell phones to children under 14; prohibits children up to age 14 from using cell phones in pre-schools and public schools; requires cell phones to be labeled with SAR values and a recommendation to use headsets. <http://www.enviroblog.org/2010/12/french-cell-phone-radiation-disclosure-at-point-of-sale.html>

May 27, 2011: Council of Europe passes a resolution recommending wired Internet connections in schools, and the creation of radiation-free zones to protect electrosensitive people. <http://assembly.coe.int/Documents/AdoptedText/ta11/eRES1815.htm>.

August 30, 2011: The Israeli Ministry of Education publishes guidelines strictly limiting the use of mobile phones on all school grounds, citing children's and youths' increased risk of malignant tumors and the "passive exposure" experienced by children who do not use phones. <http://norad4u.blogspot.com/2011/09/israeli-ministry-of-education-is-going.html>

September 8, 2011: Pretty River Academy in Collingwood, Ontario removes WiFi from campus as a precaution, joining Roots and Wings Montessori school in Surrey, British Columbia. http://www.safeschool.ca/uploads/CTV_School_cuts_WiFi.pdf; http://www.safeschool.ca/School_Bans_WiFi.html

Feb 13, 2012: Citing safety concerns, the Ontario English Catholic Teacher's Association representing 45,000 teachers, is calling for a ban on new Wi-Fi installations in the province's 1,400-plus Catholic schools and advocating that computers in all new schools should be hardwired as well. <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/story/2012/02/13/toronto-oecta-wifi.html>

March, 2012: the Austrian Medical Association (ÖAK) releases guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of health problems caused by exposure to electromagnetic fields. <http://www.aerztekammer.at/documents/10618/976981/EMF-Guideline.pdf>

June 19, 2012: The Russian National Committee on Non-ionizing Radiation Protection has officially recommended that WiFi not be used in schools. <http://youtu.be/5CemiJ-yIA4>.

25 Aug 2012: Israeli Minister of Health Rabi Yaakov Litzman states that he supports calls to action for a ban on Wi-Fi in schools. <http://www.mast-victims.org/index.php?content=news&action=view&type=newsitem&id=5723>

DOCTORS AND SCIENTISTS CALLING FOR STRICTER REGULATION AND/OR A MORATORIUM ON WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY

<http://international-emf-alliance.org/index.php/appeals>, <http://www.ralf-woelfle.de/elektrosmog/redirect.htm?http://www.ralf-woelfle.de/elektrosmog/allgemein/appelle.htm>, <http://www.avaate.org/IMG/doc/Alcalaci.doc>

Vienna Resolution 1998
Salzburg Resolution 2000
Declaration of Alcalá 2002
Catania Resolution 2002
Freiburger Appeal 2002

Bamberger Appeal 2004
Maintaler Appeal 2004
Coburger Appeal 2005
Oberammergau Appeal 2005
Haibacher Appeal 2005
Pfarrkirchener Appeal 2005
Freienbacher Appeal 2005
Lichtenfelser Appeal 2005
Hofer Appeal 2005
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