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Re: The response from professor Stuart Pimm and professor Jeff Harvey May 20, 2002

I have been asked to comment before June 1 on the response from professors Stuart Pimm and Jeff Harvey (P&H) May 20, 2002. With just a few days to go, this would itself be difficult.

However, the main problem again stems from their essayistic prose, which in my view simply does not establish any scientific dishonesty. I have in my first reply to P&H dealt with several of their central, substantial claims and found no basis for their claims. Therefore, I find that many of the general observations that I have made in regards to the complaint from Kåre Fog (April 25) are also applicable to this case. Therefore, I hope that the committee will assess the general reasonability of P&H's complaints and possibly indicate some key issues where the committee would like to concentrate and perhaps ask for yet further information on my part.

Yours sincerely,

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