

A LETTER TO MINISTERS AND NEGOTIATORS WHO CARE ABOUT PEOPLE AND THE CLIMATE

In the final days of Doha, the world is deciding what type of international climate controls and finance will be in place from now until 2020.

If the “Doha deal” will set us on a track to exceed 1.5°C

If it ensures a decade of locked-in inaction,

*The people say: **NO!***

Governments, rich and poor, must not agree to a “deal” that keeps the planet on track for 4°C and even higher levels of warming, condemning millions of our people to death, starvation, and forced migration.

All governments, rich and poor, must stand by these red lines:

A rules-based system of pollution controls

- » An **aggregate target and comparable effort** from all developed countries inside and outside of Kyoto.
- » A **ratifiable** second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol with at least 40-50% domestic cuts by 2020. **Now.** Not later. Not a trigger. **Now.**
- » **No access to Kyoto Mechanisms if you do not take on a legal target.**
- » **No new market mechanisms.**
- » **No carry-over of surplus emissions.**
- » Developing countries, supported by finance and technology, **move away from dirty development pathways.**

A mobilization of resources from developed countries to fight climate change and its impacts

- » An **international mechanism on loss and damage** established here, **now.**
- » A clear commitment to **adequate, scaled up, new and additional public finance** to match the need. **Not crumbs.**
- » **Finance commitments in agreed text** – not feel-good announcements in press conferences.
- » **Rules to ensure the transparency** of the provision of adequate and additional finance.
- » Begin work immediately on new sources of finance including **international financial transaction taxes.**
- » Agreement to **tackle the obstacle of intellectual property rights.**

Governments *cannot be distracted by a post-2020 agreement.*

We need climate action now for this critical decade.

Any government that walks away from these positions will be condemned.

They will be condemned by global civil society.

They will be condemned by their people.

They will be condemned by history.

They will condemn us all to devastating and irreversible climate change, with life on planet Earth at stake.

Signed: Social movements, farmers' organizations, civil society groups, faith-based organizations, youth, indigenous peoples, NGOs and networks present at UNFCCC CoP 18 in Doha, Qatar