

Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP
Prime Minister
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Dear Prime Minister,

On behalf of the G7 Global Taskforce, a coalition of over 250 civil society organisations from across the G7 and beyond, we welcome your assuming the 2021 G7 Presidency. We have high hopes for a landmark G7 this year and we look forward to working with the UK government on an ambitious agenda for the Summit. As you take on your new role as G7 President, we call on the UK to ensure the G7 shows strong cohesion by delivering bold commitments and concrete actions that address the disproportionate impact that Covid-19 and the climate emergency have on women, children, older people, youth, people with disabilities, the poorest and most vulnerable and other marginalised groups.

2021 is a pivotal year. It will demand a high-level of cooperation between governments and an integrated approach to address all the pressing global challenges. No country can face these issues by itself and we all need to tackle key issues affecting people and planet in tandem. Covid-19 and the on-going climate emergency have exposed the failings of short-termism and lack of global coordination and cooperation. Now is time for the G7, working with its partner countries, to support a strong global response to all the formidable challenges facing the world in 2021.

As we work together to respond to the social and economic impacts of Covid-19 and look to build on the Paris Agreement targets, civil society voices are more important than ever, and we look forward to providing input, advice and expertise throughout the UK's G7 Presidency. We, as civil society, intend to engage in the G7 through these processes, including the discussions between the Leader's personal representatives, at Ministerial and policy-specific consultations, during the Civil 7, as well as at the G7 Summit itself. Therefore, as you use this opportunity to convene leading democracies, we urge you to demonstrate the strength of these democratic political systems by ensuring that civil society consultations are designed to have meaningful impact on the discussions and outcomes of the G7 Summit. We call on you to prioritise transparency, timely flows of information and equal access to the processes relating to the G7 discussions to enable us to engage effectively.

This will be a challenging year with many complex geo-political issues to navigate. Including civil society as an essential partner in a meaningful process will ensure the success of the 2021 G7 and allow the delivery of an ambitious, forward-looking agenda. We look forward to working with your Presidency to make the 2021 UK G7 a critical summit on the road to recovery from the pandemic, tackling the climate emergency, improving the lives and upholding the rights of the most marginalised populations, and building a lasting, safe, and sustainable world for today's and tomorrow's generations.

Yours sincerely



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- Action against AIDS Germany - Germany
- Action for Global Health – UK
- ACTIONAID USA - USA
- Alliance You Too – Japan
- Amnesty International – Global
- Amref Health Africa UK – Global
- APPUI SOLIDAIRE POUR LE RENFORCEMENT DE L AIDE AU DEVELOPPEMENT – Mali
- ASAPSU (Association de soutien à l'auto promotion Sanitaire Urbaine - Côte d'Ivoire
- Bond – UK
- Brooke – UK
- Bürgerlobby Klimaschutz - Citizens' Climate Lobby Germany e.V. (CCL-D) - Germany
- Canadian Engaged Buddhism Association - Canada
- Canadian Foodgrains Bank – Canada
- Canadian Health Association for Sustainability and Equity (CHASE) - Canada
- CARE International UK - UK
- CBM Christoffel-Blindenmission Christian Blind Mission e.V – Germany
- Center for Democratic Education - USA
- Chofu Kodomo Net - Japan
- Citizens' Climate Europe – EU
- Citizens' Climate International – Global
- Citizens' Climate Lobby Bangladesh – Bangladesh
- Citizens' Climate Lobby Canada – Canada

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- Citizens' Climate Lobby UK – UK
- Citizens' Climate Lobby France – France
- Citizens' Climate Lobby – USA
- Clean Air Partnership – Canada
- ClimateFast – Canada
- Coalition Plus Internationale – Global
- Concern Worldwide UK – UK
- Deutsche Welthungerhilfe e.V. – Germany
- DSW (Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung) – Germany
- Envirotech International Ltd – Bangladesh
- Frontline AIDS – UK
- Gender and Development Network – UK
- Global Campaign for Education – Global
- Global Campaign for Education-US – USA
- Global Citizen – Global
- Global Fund Advocates Network (GFAN) – Global
- Global Health Advocates – France
- HelpAge Deutschland – Germany
- Humanity & Inclusion UK – Global
- InterAction - USA
- International Center for Research on Women (ICRW) - USA
- Japan Center for a Sustainable Environment and Society (JACSES) – Japan
- Japanese Organization for International Cooperation in Family Planning (JOICFP) – Japan
- Manica Youth Assembly – Zimbabwe
- Medical Mission Institute Würzburg – Germany
- National Education Union (NEU) – UK
- NCD Alliance – Global
- Nutrition International – Global
- ONE Campaign – Global
- Plan International UK - UK
- Project Dryad – Global
- RESULTS UK – UK
- SafeHands – UK
- Save the Children UK – UK
- STOPAIDS – UK
- Students for Global Health – UK
- TB Alliance – Global
- TERRAM PACIS – Norway
- United for Global Mental Health – UK
- United Kingdom Committee for Unicef – UK
- Uniting to Combat NTDs – UK
- Vegans & Vegetarians of Alberta – Canada
- VENRO (Verband Entwicklungspolitik und Humanitäre Hilfe) – Germany
- Wateraid – Global
- What World Strategies – Canada
- Women Deliver - USA
- World Vision UK – UK