Climate change demands urgent action

"The scientific understanding of climate change is now sufficiently clear to justify nations taking prompt action. ... Failure to implement significant reductions in net greenhouse gas emissions now, will make the job much harder in the future. ... We urge all nations ... to take prompt action to reduce the causes of climate change, adapt to its impacts and ensure that the issue is included in all relevant national and international strategies."

National science academies of Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Russia, the United Kingdom and the United States, June 2005

Canada has an obligation to take action now

Parliament voted to ratify the Kyoto Protocol in December 2002. The Protocol entered into force as international law on February 16, 2005. Canada is legally obliged to begin meeting its Kyoto target for greenhouse gas emissions on January 1, 2008.

Credible action includes regulation of CO₂

"Congress should enact a comprehensive and effective national program of mandatory, market-based limits and incentives on emissions of greenhouse gases that slow, stop, and reverse the growth of such emissions"

United States Senate resolution passed by 53 votes to 44, June 2005

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