THE EARTH IS ALREADY TOO HOT
IT’S TIME TO DECLARE A CLIMATE EMERGENCY

At the Paris climate talks, scientists and people from low-lying island states set 1.5°C of warming as a red line that must not be crossed.

However, earlier this year, the global average temperature spiked past 1.6°C of warming.

The bleaching of coral reefs around the world, increasing extreme weather events, the melting of large ice sheets and recent venting of methane from thawing permafrost make it abundantly clear that the earth is already too hot.

The future of human civilisation, and the survival of the precious ecosystems on which we depend, now hang in the balance.

There must be an immediate ban on new coal and gas developments and an emergency-speed transition to zero emissions.

We must begin the enormous task of safely drawing down the excess greenhouse gases already in the atmosphere.

We call on the new parliament to declare a climate emergency.

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