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STATEMENT FROM MAYOR DE BLASIO ON PARIS CLIMATE AGREEMENT

“Today, nations from around the globe took a vital step forward, recognizing the existential threat of climate change – and the real climate action that is needed. In particular, I'm very proud of the United States and President Obama's leadership in securing this historic accord. Now, the hard work of implementation must begin in earnest.

“It's simply not a question: we have no choice but to move toward renewables, strand fossil fuels, and dramatically reduce our contributions to climate change, while also aggressively working to protect ourselves against its impacts. New York City and cities around the world will continue to set the pace when it comes to innovative climate action. Our city and our planet's future hangs in the balance.”

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