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## THERE IS NO PLANET B AS SAID BAN KHI MOON AND AS SAYS IT JOHN KERRY

### ATLANTIC COUNCIL CREATED ROAD TO COP21

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**USPA NEWS** - U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry declared about the future Atlantic Council inauguration : "Gambling with the future of Earth itself when we know full well what the outcome would be is beyond reckless. It is immoral and poses a risk that no one should take. We need to face reality.

As UN Secretary General Ban Khi-Moon said last September, there is no planet B." That is why today I addressed the Atlantic Council's Inaugural "Road to Paris" event. In December of this year, the world will come together at the UN Climate Conference in Paris to debate an ambitious, comprehensive agreement. The science tells us we still have a window of time to prevent the worst impacts of climate change, but that window is closing quickly.-----

"So many of the global challenges that we face today, from extremism and epidemics to poverty and nuclear proliferation, share a common trait: They respect no borders. Climate change belongs on that list. It is a major threat to our entire planet " said John Kerry US department Secretary. The issue of climate change has been personal to me throughout my career. I regularly discuss it with foreign leaders around the world and my colleagues here in the United States. But this isn't a problem just for governments. It should be personal for all of us because it affects all of us. Therefore, climate change requires global cooperation and urgent action by governments and individuals alike.-----

### CLEAN ENERGY ECONOMY NEEDS LEADERS WITH POLITICAL COURAGE-----

Unlike many global challenges, this one has a ready-made solution: energy policy. By making the right choices now, we can actually prevent the worst effects of climate change from crippling us forever. We have time to prevent the worst consequences, but only if we make the switch to a global, clean-energy economy a priority and think more creatively about how we power our cars, heat our homes, operate our businesses. It really is as simple as that. But getting there is proving not to be as simple.

"So what do we need to do to address this problem? To start, we need leaders with the political courage to make the tough policy choices that will put us on the right path. President Obama has accepted that challenge and taken it head on. Thanks to his Climate Action Plan, the United States is well on its way to meeting our international commitments to seriously cut greenhouse gas emissions by 2020. We are also investing in cleaner alternatives and become smarter about the way we use energy in our homes and businesses. This is by far the most ambitious set of climate actions that the United States of America has ever undertaken ". We know the agreement we are trying to reach in Paris is an absolutely vital first step. It would demonstrate that countries across the globe now recognize the seriousness of the problem -- and the need for each and every one of us to contribute to a solution.-----

The 68th U.S. Secretary of State, explains the importance of clean energy as not only the solution to climate change. He said " It is also one of the greatest economic opportunities of all time. If we take action on climate change, we will create an extraordinary number of jobs and kick economies into gear all around the world. We have the chance to take advantage of one of the biggest business opportunities the world has ever known ".

John Kerry continues "Gambling with the future of Earth itself when we know full well what the outcome would be is beyond reckless. It is immoral and poses a risk that no one should take. We need to face reality. As UN Secretary General Ban ki-Moon said last September, there is no planet B ". The Secretary, ends up with optimism key to a better future, condition that we give ourselves to achieve the challenges reliever at the next Climate Conference of Paris in December COP21 for the future of our children. "I am confident that we can find a way to summon the resolve that we need to tackle this shared threat. We can reach an agreement in Paris. We can carve out a path toward a clean energy future. We can meet this challenge. That is our charge for ourselves, for our children and grandchildren, and it is a charge we must keep ".-----

For more information see : [www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov), <http://blogs.state.gov/stories/2015/03/12/noplanetb-tackling-climate-change-it-s-too-late>

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