*Pacific Forum calls for action against climate change*

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*Excerpt from* ***the complete statement from the Pacific Forum:***

**With the United Nations Climate Action Summit slated for September, leaders of the Pacific Islands Forum issued a joint statement asking UN Secretary-General António Guterres to deliver their message to the world.**

The Pacific Islands Forum is a group of 18 independent states and self-governing territories who are vulnerable to rising sea levels, displacement, and other impacts of climate change.

Forum leaders recently had a high-level political dialogue with the UN Secretary General in Suva, Fiji on May 15.

In the collective [statement](https://www.forumsec.org/pacific-islands-forum-statement-blue-pacifics-call-for-urgent-global-climate-change-action/?fbclid=IwAR0ScU0ozuOv6_2X6TCT7dAnTfYlLb09YKb479LvLJcyGhdYA6fDC_WXhiM), the presidents representing the Pacific Island nations said, “Climate change is the single greatest threat to our Blue Pacific region. All countries, with no caveats, must agree to take decisive and transformative action to reduce global emissions, and ensure at scale mitigation and adaption support for those countries that need it.”

“If we do not, we will lose. We will lose our homes, our ways of life, our well-being and our livelihoods. We know this because we are experiencing loss already.”

The members of the forum are: Australia, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Kiribati, Nauru, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Republic of Marshall Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu.

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Let us together seize the opportunity of the UNSG’s (United Nations Secretary-General’s) Climate Action Summit to make the changes we need to reverse climate change.

To the major polluters – our today in the Pacific is undoubtedly your tomorrow.

Sea level rise in Tuvalu is sea level rise in New York, though one might go under before the other.

Climate change impacts will undermine – and potentially reverse – economic development, create instability and conflict, and threaten lives all over the globe. No one country or individual will be spared.

We urge all world leaders to listen and to act.

Act for all of us.

Act for our children and their children.

Act for our future.

Let us come together to save our Blue Planet.

This must be our legacy.

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