

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

On July 14, 2021, the City of Toronto formally endorsed the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty ([MM35.39](#)). It recognized that to continue the current path of further increasing fossil fuel production is inconsistent with the achievement of our climate goals. Toronto is now counted among 12 Canadian Municipalities (Vancouver, Victoria, Richmond, Burnaby, New Westminster, the Districts of North and West Vancouver, Island Trust, B.C., Port Moody, and most recently Montreal and Ottawa) that have formally endorsed this Treaty. They are part of a growing, worldwide network of major cities around the world, opposing fossil fuel expansion.

Pursuant to the adoption of the motion by the City of Toronto, a request was made on October 15, 2021 to your office asking that the Federal Government negotiate a global treaty for the non-proliferation of fossil fuels. The purpose of this letter is to **determine if negotiations of such a Treaty have begun by Canada and to request an update on this process.**

Canada has legislated the target of net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, in pursuit of the global 1.5°C temperature goal.¹ Now, with growing climatic impacts and restrictions on oil supply being used as leverage by foreign governments, the transition to noncarbon energy sources has never been more urgent. Science shows that these commitments mean no new fossil fuel production globally² and a shrinking of existing oil and gas production by 3% every year between now and 2050.³ The Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty would provide a multi-lateral international framework in which Canada could lead and shape the approach to fossil fuels in the coming years.

The voices of Canadians demanding action on the climate crisis is growing louder, as attested by the exponential increase of support for the FFNPT at municipal levels. On behalf of many concerned groups and individuals, we urgently ask for your immediate attention to our request for an update on the process of the Treaty.

It has been one year since the City of Toronto adopted this motion and we are running out of time for an effective collaboration to globally prevent a climate disaster. We look forward to being provided with a public response at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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¹ *Canadian Net-Zero Accountability Act*, S.C. 2021, c. 22.

² International Energy Agency, [Net Zero by 2050: A Roadmap for the Global Energy Sector](#) (May 2021), pp. 18, 21.

³ Welsby, Price, Pye & Ekins, "[Unextractable Fossil Fuels in a 1.5°C World](#)" *Nature* 597, 230–234 (2021)