



## Stop Climate Chaos Scotland

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Dear Minister,

Many congratulations on your appointment as Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Minister.

Our coalition was pleased to work constructively with your predecessor on the implementation of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 and we look forward to continuing that work with you.

As you will be aware, next year, the world's leaders will meet in Paris to agree a new global agreement to tackle climate change. Overall, Scotland has a good story to tell in terms of political commitment to action on climate change. It is vital, now more than ever, that this commitment is realised, emissions reduce in line with our climate legislation, we realise the many benefits of the low carbon transition, and climate justice remains a key focus of Government.

Stop Climate Chaos Scotland has done a great deal of work, which we intend to continue over the next year in the run-up to the Paris climate talks, to promote the Scottish climate example to other countries. We hope that this will inspire similar ambition from other countries.

We will be at the UN climate talks in Lima in December this year to engage with international networks to share Scotland's climate action story. We are hopeful that you will attend the conference to meet with Ministers from other countries to demonstrate Scottish political commitment to this issue. We hope you can also meet with our international networks and contacts there to help share Scotland's climate story.

The next year will be an important one for climate action, and Scotland can provide a positive story of a country which has ambitious plans to reduce its emissions, while improving peoples' lives at the same time. To do this, Government must deliver on its climate promises.

Stop Climate Chaos Scotland will encourage, challenge, collaborate and offer advice where appropriate. We look forward to working with you. We would be very pleased to meet with you on your return from the Lima conference. Please let us know if/when such a meeting may be possible.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair of Stop Climate Chaos Scotland