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Paris Agreements: Ratification needed but Trudeau needs a plan to honour commitment, says Greenpeace

16 September 2016 (Toronto) – Following the announcement that the federal government will soon ratify the Paris agreements, prior to completing a climate plan with provinces, Keith Stewart, Head of Greenpeace Canada's climate and energy campaign, said:

"Ratification by Canada will help build the global momentum for action on climate change. To be taken seriously, however, we need a plan to actually turn those lovely words into deeds. We don't want to repeat the Kyoto Protocol experience where a Liberal government signed but then refused to spend any political capital to honour that commitment. Ultimately, the federal government has the policy tools it needs to act on climate and if Canada truly is back in the fight against global climate change then Trudeau must be prepared to do what is necessary even if it means angering the oil industry and their political allies."

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