

Climate Czar Kerry Boasts There's 'No Rolling Back' Clean Energy Transition

## **Description**

U.S. climate czar John Kerry claimed in an interview on Sunday that "so much has been invested in clean energy that there can be no rolling back of moves to end carbon emissions," according to an interview with the Associated Press.

Kerry claimed that if countries phase out petroleum-based fuels, the world can purportedly limit average global warming to 1.7 degrees Celsius (2.7 degrees Fahrenheit).

"We're in a very different place than where we were a year ago, let alone two and three years ago," Kerry said.

"But we're not doing everything we said we'd do," he said, after attending a meeting of energy and environment ministers of the Group of Seven wealthy nations. "A lot of countries need to step up including ours to reduce emissions faster, deploy renewables faster, bring new technologies online faster all of that has to happen."

Kerry said the G-7 talks in northeastern Japan's Sapporo were "really constructive" in attempting to forge a consensus on eliminating carbon-based fuels.

"The United States and all the developed world has the responsibility to help the developing world through this crisis," he said. "Those countries will really determine what happens. If they will reduce, if they will take the lead, if they will start deploying the new technologies, if they will stop using unabated fossil fuels, we'll up the chance of winning this battle."

On Thursday, President Joe Biden is scheduled to attend a Major Economies Forum, which includes leaders of 20 nations that account for more than three-quarters of global carbon emissions. The summit offers another opportunity for committing resources to the goal of reaching zero emissions by 2050, Kerry said.

"We agreed that we need to get back together personally, visit and try to see what we can find to work on together to accelerate the process. Is that doable? I hope so," Kerry said.

"Our hope ... is that over the course over the next weeks and months more will be put on the table,

more will be agreed upon and we can move faster," he said.

The Biden administration is also seeking to pressure banks to finance green energy initiatives.

Kerry said that money will not be invested in new coal-fired power plants in the U.S., because "there's no such thing as clean coal."

"The marketplace is not supporting that," he said. "Investors are not supporting that."

"Anyone is going to look pretty critically at what's going to happen with their money," Kerry added, noting that "there's a lot of money and it's looking for these deals right now."

Kerry also said that the "Inflation Reduction Act" is a major step toward incentivizing climate-friendly investments, "sending a signal to the market place that there's money to be made by transitioning and moving in the direction of clean energy technologies."

"If we're going to be responsible, we have to turn around and figure out how we are going to more rapidly terminate the emissions. We have to cut the emissions that are warming the planet and heading us inexorably toward several tipping points beyond which there is no reverse," Kerry claimed.

Despite his rhetoric about a "climate emergency," Kerry's behavior raises questions about his actual commitment to his purported cause.

Kerry has been at the forefront of the Biden administration's push to force Americans to have 'net zero' emissions by 2050. But Kerry has produced millions of pounds of carbon emissions during his time in office — most of it on unnecessary air travel. A Washington Free Beacon analysis found that John Kerry has flown more than 180,000 miles during his time as 'Climate Czar,' emitting more than 9.5 million pounds of carbon.

Germany recently shut off its last three nuclear reactors, despite its heavy reliance on natural gas imports from foreign countries. Both natural gas and nuclear energy have nearly zero carbon emissions, but they have nonetheless been targeted by radical environmentalists for elimination.

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