

# CLIMATE CHANGE: PUTTING OUR HOUSE IN ORDER

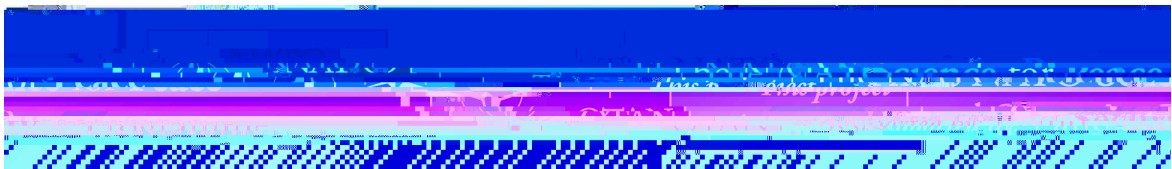
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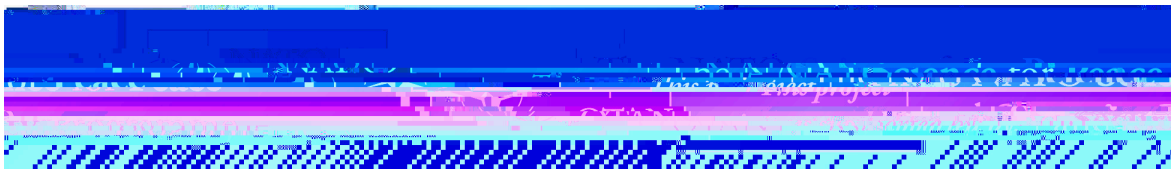
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Over the next two to three years, New Zealand has an opportunity to rethink climate change policies



international diplomacy, drawing on New Zealand's expertise





Abroad, New Zealand should take advantage of the flexibilities in the Paris Agreement, to table future contributions that are best aligned with our needs and capacities. We should promote the recognition, consistent with the Agreement, of a country's transition pathway being the core of its contribution to the global mitigation effort. This would mean working on several fronts including science, the science-policy interface, and engaging in international diplomacy. It needs a long term strategy of progressive alignment of our international climate change contributions and our economy.

## Conclusion

2017-2020 is the opportunity for New Zealand to undertake a thorough review of its international climate change stance. It requires work on two fronts. It must be anchored in domestic policy, where the review should begin. International engagement and diplomacy will be needed to gain acceptance of the environmental integrity and fairness

