

November 16, 2015

Dear Friend,

Following the recent terrorist attacks in Paris and the expressions of support received from cities around the world, Mayor Anne Hidalgo made it clear that she wants the upcoming climate change events in Paris, including the *Climate Summit for Local Leaders* to go forward as planned on December 4 - 6, as part of the U.N.'s gathering of world leaders at COP21.

We, as well as the organizations we lead, support Mayor Hidalgo and the citizens of Paris and we urge you to attend our meetings and the Summit.

There is no better way for us to express our support for the people of France and to all those in favor of peace and dialogue than to stand united shoulder to shoulder on December 4, when the world's eyes will be focused on Paris.

If you have committed to attend the Summit, we want to convey that your attendance is now more important than ever.

If you were considering whether to attend, we urge you to join us.

If you had declined to attend because of other commitments, we respectfully ask you to reconsider.

Terrorism threatens cities around the world. Defeating it requires unity, solidarity and cooperation. The Summit offers a unique opportunity for local and regional leaders to express our unwavering commitment to one another and our unshakeable determination to defeat terrorism and defend our shared values.

To RSVP to the Summit, please contact our organizations or visit climatesummitlocalleaders.paris. And please contact our organizations or email info@parisclimatesummit.org should you have any specific questions.

We look forward to seeing you in December.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Bloomberg
U.N. Secretary-General's
Special Envoy for Cities and
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Eduardo Paes
Mayor of Rio de Janeiro