



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 8, 2021

His Excellency
Alberto Fernandez
President of the Argentine Republic
Buenos Aires

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you again for participating in the Leaders Summit on Climate on April 22-23, 2021, and for co-hosting the Regional Climate Summit this month. I invite you to join me and other leaders as I reconvene the Major Economies Forum on Energy and Climate (MEF) to provide a timely opportunity for a focused, private discussion of the further actions needed to address the global climate crisis. This virtual meeting will take place on September 17, 2021.

The climate crisis confronts us with both a profound generational challenge and an extraordinary opportunity to create a more prosperous and sustainable economy benefiting all.

At the Leaders Summit, a number of countries presented ambitious climate commitments. Together, we agreed on the imperative of strengthening our climate efforts and ensuring success at the 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP26) in Glasgow, Scotland. The tragic climate disasters in the months since and the sobering new findings of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change dramatically underscore both the immediacy and the scale of this global challenge.

As the leaders of the world's major economies, we must ensure that our efforts during this critical decade are swift and bold enough to keep the goal of holding temperature rise to 1.5 degrees Celsius within reach.

In July 2021, G20 climate and energy ministers declared the intent of all G20 countries to submit ambitious nationally determined contributions by COP26. Many have already done so. Our gathering is an opportunity for leaders to report on the further steps they are prepared to take.

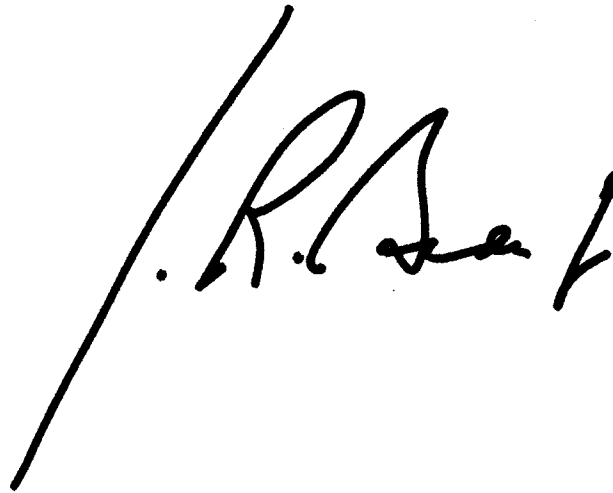
At the time of our MEF meeting, COP26 will be just six weeks away. So this is also an opportunity to discuss how we can dedicate ourselves at COP26 to a decade of truly decisive action. I will share our vision of the MEF going forward as a platform for transformative action by the world's major economies. I will also invite countries to join a Global Methane Pledge to

be launched by COP 26. As in April, we plan to release a chair's summary of the MEF meeting, highlighting the progress we have achieved and our intended next steps.

For the benefit of both present and future generations, I urge you to join me and our fellow leaders in doing our utmost to meet this fateful moment.

I look forward to welcoming you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. R. Shah". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.