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New York, April 20 (RHC)-- Over 400 climate experts have warned that governments are criminalizing and silencing peaceful environmental protesters, including Extinction Rebellion, the Sunrise Movement and School Strike for Climate.

Their open letter reads: "It has become abundantly clear that governments don't act on climate without pressure from civil society: threatening and silencing activists thus seems to be a new form of anti-democratic refusal to act on climate."

In related news, the U.S. and China say that the two nations will work together with other countries on tackling climate change.

The commitment by the world's two largest greenhouse gas emitters came ahead of a virtual climate summit this week hosted by President Joe Biden.

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