

# NEWSREEL

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### Programmanus

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Hi, I'm Kate Holland. Welcome to a new series of Newsreel!

- Coming up: A group of teenagers taking on air pollution in London
- *Nyeleti: We just think it's really important that something so basic, like the air we breathe is safe and healthy for us.*

But first

#### USA Rejoins the Paris Climate Accord

That's Lady Gaga singing the American National Anthem at the inauguration of Joe Biden as President of the United States.

One big decision Joe Biden has already made is that the USA should apply to rejoin The Paris Climate Accord.

This is an international agreement which brings together nearly 200 countries to work together to fight climate change. Donald Trump officially pulled out of the deal last year because he said it was bad for American businesses.

Here's a clip of him taken from CBS:

*Trump: The Paris Accord was not designed to save the environment – it was designed to kill the American economy.*

Some Republicans agree with Donald Trump saying that cutting greenhouse gases will cost too much money, but environmentalists say that the US is already having to spend a lot of money tackling the effects of Climate Change. Here's Yoca Ardití-Rocha from the Cleo Institute talking to Local 10 News in Florida

**the national anthem**

*nationalsången*

**inauguration**

*invigning,*

*installationsceremoni*

**rejoin**

*återansluta*

**agreement**

*överenskommelse,*

*avtal*

**pulled out**

*drog sig ur*

**cutting**

*minska*

**environmentalists**

*miljöaktivister*

**tackling**

*ta itu med, hantera*

*Yoca Arditi-Rocha: The Science and the research tell us that the cost of climate inaction far outweighs the cost of reducing carbon pollution.*

Yoca says dealing with extreme weather events caused by climate change – like hurricanes, tropical storms and forest fires - will cost the US economy billions of dollars a year - if nothing's done to reduce carbon emissions.

### **Air Pollution in London**

Air pollution is a big problem in London, particularly for people with asthma.

I have asthma - it means I sometimes have problems breathing and need to carry something called an inhaler with me wherever I go.

It helps me breathe more easily and stops me having an asthma attack.

For some people asthma attacks can be fatal. Ella Adoo-Kissi-Debrah was just 9 years old when she died in 2013. She had asthma and lived near one of London's busiest roads.

Now a schoolfriend of Ella has joined up with three other teenagers to start a group campaigning for cleaner air in London.

The group is called Choked Up and I've been speaking online to two of the founders - Nyeleti and Kaydine.

First here's Nyeleti:

*Nyeleti: We just think it's really important that something so basic, like the air we breathe is safe and healthy for us.*

And Kaydine – why do you think air pollution is such an important issue?

*Kaydine: It was mainly Ella's story that really I'd say inspired us towards really making this our issue.*

Nyeleti and Kaydine want the government to pass a law which would mean that people have a legal right to breathe clean air.

Sixteen year old Max has asthma and lives in North London. He's been telling me how having asthma affects *his* life.

*Max: More than just the physical like pain I guess it can also be very worrying because an asthma attack can happen at any time*

**research**

*forskning*

**outweighs**

*väger över, väger*

*tyngre*

**carbon (dioxide)**

**emissions**

*koldioxidutsläpp*

**air pollution**

*luftföroreningar*

**particularly**

*speciellt*

**carry**

*ha med sig*

**fatal**

*dödlig*

**busiest**

*mest trafikerade*

**joined up**

*gått samman*

**campaigning for**

*arbetar för*

**choked up**

*kvävd, tilltäppt*

**issue**

*problem, fråga*

**to pass a law**

*att införa en lag*

**the government**

*regeringen*

**worrying**

*här: plågsam,*

*besvärande*

Max says the pollution round where he lives isn't too bad, but he says he really notices the difference in busier parts of London.

Max: *I've been to central London a few times and it's not great there, you can feel it in your throat. It's pretty bad.*

That's all for today. I'll be back on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February. Goodbye!

**busier**

*mer traffikerade*

**throat**

*hals*