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## **US SECRETARY KERRY SPEAKS ABOUT NATURAL RESOURCES SUFFERING FROM POLLUTION IN LARGE CITIES**

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**USPA NEWS** - US Secretary Kerry declared "In the 1950s and 60s, America's natural resources were in bad shape. Communities were so polluted that clouds of smog lingered over cities like Los Angeles. Rivers and lakes were filled with chemicals. But on April 22, 1970, after years of mounting concern and hard work.

John Kerry declared today on this special occasion of celebrating Earth Day : "We were on a dangerous path. But on April 22, 1970, after years of mounting concern and hard work, the first-ever Earth Day took place, and a new commitment to action took hold. Thanks in no small part to campaigns begun that day, our air, water and land are in far better shape now than 45 years ago -- even as our population and economy have steadily grown".-----

US Secretary continues : "There is a lesson in that experience, because America is once again on a dangerous path -- along with the rest of the world. Climate change, if unchecked, is an urgent threat to health, food supplies, biodiversity and livelihoods across the globe. The solution to climate change is staring us in the face. It's energy policy. If we pursue a global clean energy economy, we can cut dramatically the amount of carbon pollution we emit into the atmosphere and prevent the worst impacts of climate change. Source: www.state.gov, For more information see: go.wh.gov/EarthDay "a#"ŽActOnClimate"-, http://go.usa.gov/3ZXKB, #EarthDay #EarthRightNow-----

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