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Must you not be alive to remember what it was like to be a kid in the 20th century? It was an era of optimism. A time when the biggest threat to the planet was the nuclear arms race. When a group of kids could walk into a 1980’s Ukrainian nuclear missile base, as we did, to find the keys that would launch the doomsday device. It was the era of the generation of the 1980’s, when kids would protest for a change in the world.

We are now living in the generation of the 2010’s, the one that is witnessing a warm-up of the Earth that is already driving millions to flee their homes. A generation that cannot even leave its home country without an airport. It is a generation that believes a world in which it is possible to breathe clean air in the city is a thing of the past. It is a generation that is fighting for the right to breathe.

The youth of today are fighting for their future. The future of their children. A future where they can breathe clean air, drink clean water, eat healthy food, and live in a world that is sustainable. A world where they can have a say in their future, where their voices are heard.

We are the generation that is fighting for the future of the planet. We are the generation that is fighting for our children. We are the generation that is fighting for the right to breathe.