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## **Statement of Senator Barack Obama on the Commission to Engage African Americans on Climate Change**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – U.S. Senator Barack Obama today released the following statement on the establishment of the Commission to Engage African Americans on Climate Change:

"Global climate change is one of the greatest challenges facing our generation. Last September, as part of the Annual Legislative Conference of the Congressional Black Caucus, I convened a distinguished panel of experts to discuss the implications of global warming, particularly for African American communities. Today's announcement of the establishment of the Commission to Engage African Americans on Climate Change is a bold step forward in enlisting these communities to help develop solutions to this problem. I commend Texas State Senator Rodney Ellis, Ralph B. Everett, the President and CEO of the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, and the other commissioners for their vision and leadership."

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