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United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) President Maria Fernanda Espinosa Garces (R) speaks to journalists during a press conference at the UN headquarters in New York, June 27, 2019. Maria Fernanda Espinosa Garces on Thursday said that her message to the leaders attending the 2019 G20 Summit was that "we have run out of time" on climate change.



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Speaking to reporters at a press conference held at the UN headquarters in New York, the UNGA president said that "we have run out of time. We are in a climate emergency, and the cost of inaction is too high."

"We don't have options. We need to take seriously transitions to carbon neutral economies," she noted.

The 2019 G20 summit will be the 14th meeting of Group of Twenty. It will be held on June 28-29 in Osaka

"The cost of inaction is going to be unquantifiable because it is not only material loss, it is human lives and macro-economic losses," said Espinosa.