

Hello Humans

[One day Pete Seeger took me aside and told me that he felt the most important message he had ever tried to put in a song was the one in "We'll All Be A-Doubling (in thirty-two years)." He doubted that he had done justice to his subject and told me I should try to say it differently. I am sure Pete would like to extend this invitation to other songwriters as well. This is our try:]

Hello humans – this is your mother.
Hello humans – tell your brothers –
Your sisters and everyone:
The things you've done can't go on.

Hello humans – this is the earth.
Hello humans – for what it's worth
I'll talk to the seeing – to the blind.
Remember: Good planets are hard to find.

**I'll be here for you – I'll be here for you –
I'll be here for you – with or without you.
I'll be here for you – I'll be here for you –
But you won't be here – without me – without me.**

Wake up, humans – I'm a good mother.
Caring and giving – like no one other.
Wake up – I can't keep feeding you all.
Humans – listen – hear my call.

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*You add too many children to this world – to live.
You ask me to give more than I could ever give.
Why don't you ask how your children will live?
Who will feed them? – How will they survive? – I will survive –*

Hello humans – you have choices.
Hello humans – raise your voices:
Do the math – think it through:
I can't deal with more of you.

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I'll be here for you – with or without you.
I'll be here for you – I'll be here for you –
But you won't be here – without me – you need me.**