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EN In 2015, the United Nations finally created the role of a Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and the Environment. John Knox has filled this role with great energy and enthusiasm. However, one of the obstacles to progress is the lack of a globally recognized human right to a healthy environment. True, a healthy environment is necessary for human well-being and for the fulfilment of other human rights. But should international law also explicitly recognize a human right to a healthy environment? John Knox will present arguments for this step as he approaches the end of his 3-year term as Special Rapporteur. He will also discuss what this new human right would require of states and of businesses.

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