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TAORMINA, Sicily - President Donald Trump refused to join his counterparts in the G7 Saturday in a pledge to uphold the 195-nation Paris accord on climate change, breaking the unified front of the world's most exclusive geopolitical club.

Trump, posting on Twitter, said he would make a decision on whether the U.S. would remain in the climate change next week, after he returns to Washington. The other six members of the G7 - Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and the U.K. - reaffirmed "strong commitment" to the agreement, which former President Barack Obama signed in 2015.

While the declaration included remarkable language, highlighting that the U.S. stood apart, the other allies expressed some relief that Trump had not outright rejected the accord and said they remained hopeful he would come around to supporting the Paris agreement in the coming days.

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