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Police arrest 1,000 Extinction Rebellion protestors – 25th April, 2019

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London police arrested over 1,000 protestors last week for bringing the city's busiest areas to a standstill. Protestors blocked bridges and roads. They are part of the Extinction Rebellion - a movement focused on getting the UK to call climate change a global emergency. It has three demands: for the government to "tell the truth about climate change"; to cut carbon emissions to zero by 2025; and to create a citizens' assembly.

Sweden's 16-year-old activist and Nobel Peace Prize nominee Greta Thunberg talked to the UK's political parties. She told them that the future of the world's children had been "sold so that a small number of people can make unimaginable amounts of money". She said they didn't listen to the science because they only want to "carry on as if nothing has happened". One Extinction Rebellion supporter said: "Civil disobedience [shows] this is an emergency."

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London police arrested more than 1,000 protestors last week. Many of central London's busiest areas were brought to a standstill as thousands of protestors staged peaceful protests on bridges and roads. The protestors are part of the Extinction Rebellion. This is a movement focused on getting the UK government to declare climate change as a global emergency. It wants the UK to reduce its carbon footprint. It has three main demands: for the government to "tell the truth about climate change"; to reduce carbon emissions to zero by 2025; and to create a citizens' assembly to check any progress.

Sweden's 16-year-old activist Greta Thunberg met leaders of the UK's political parties. She is a Nobel Peace Prize nominee and started the global school protests. She told politicians that the future of the world's children had been "sold so that a small number of people can make unimaginable amounts of money". She added: "You don't listen to the science because you are only interested in the answers that will allow you to carry on as if nothing has happened." One protestor said: "I support Extinction Rebellion. Civil disobedience is important to show this is an emergency."

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The police in London have arrested more than 1,000 protestors in the past week. Many of central London's busiest areas have been brought to a standstill as tens of thousands of demonstrators staged peaceful protests on bridges, landmarks and traffic intersections. The protestors are part of the newly formed Extinction Rebellion. This is a movement focused on bringing the UK government to declare climate change as a global emergency and to pass laws to considerably reduce the UK's carbon footprint. Campaigners have three key demands: for the government to "tell the truth about climate change"; to reduce carbon emissions to zero by 2025; and to create a citizens' assembly to oversee progress.

The Swedish teenage environmental activist Greta Thunberg met leaders of the UK's main political parties on Tuesday. The 16-year-old is a Nobel Peace Prize nominee. She is attributed with starting the global school protests in which students have been striking for a greener planet. She told politicians that the future of all the world's children had been "sold so that a small number of people can make unimaginable amounts of money". She added: "You don't listen to the science because you are only interested in the answers that will allow you to carry on as if nothing has happened." One protestor said: "I support Extinction Rebellion. Civil disobedience is important to show this is an emergency."