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Press Statement  
Mike Pompeo

Secretary of State

Washington, DC  
May 18, 2018

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On behalf of the Government of the United States of America, I offer congratulations to the people of the Republic of Cameroon as you celebrate your National Day on May 20, 2018.

The United States values the ties that bind the American and Cameroonian people. We look forward to continuing our partnership with Cameroon as we strengthen regional security, fight violent extremism in the Lake Chad Basin region, and collaborate to improve health outcomes. Our goal is to work together for a peaceful, democratic, and an abundant future.

On behalf of the American people, I am honored to extend my best wishes to all Cameroonians on this joyous occasion.

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## [Press Releases: Secretary Pompeo's Call With Kenyan President Uhuru Kenyatta](#)

Readout

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

On May 18, Secretary Pompeo called Kenyan President Uhuru Kenyatta to affirm U.S. support for Kenya's security and continued economic advancement. They discussed our shared goals of countering terrorism, promoting regional stability, and ensuring good governance. Secretary Pompeo thanked President Kenyatta for his leadership in calling for an important national conversation to move the country forward following the 2017 election. They also discussed ways to work together to hasten the end of the conflict in South Sudan and ensure continued support for AMISOM forces in Somalia.

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## **[Press Releases: Secretary Pompeo's Call With Brazilian Foreign Minister Aloysio Nunes Ferreira](#)**

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

Today Secretary Pompeo spoke with Foreign Minister of Brazil Aloysio Nunes Ferreira.

The Secretary and Foreign Minister reaffirmed the strong bilateral relations between the two countries and the importance of the U.S.-Brazil economic partnership. They discussed our joint economic growth agenda, security cooperation, and global issues. The Secretary also thanked Foreign Minister Nunes for his leadership in advocating for a peaceful, transparent, and democratic resolution to the crisis in Venezuela, and stressed the importance of working together on broader international efforts to expand humanitarian assistance to the Venezuelan people.

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## [Press Releases: Secretary Pompeo's Call With Afghan President Ashraf Ghani](#)

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:□

Secretary Mike Pompeo spoke by phone with Afghan President Ashraf Ghani. Secretary Pompeo reinforced our enduring investment in Afghanistan, as outlined in the President's South Asia strategy, and expressed support for the Afghan military's defense of the city of Farah. He also commended President Ghani for his commitment to building a secure and prosperous future

for his country and noted the government's efforts to reform their institutions to ensure the upcoming elections are transparent, credible, and carried out on time. The two discussed the strong partnership between the United States and Afghanistan in the fight against terrorism and our support for an Afghan-led, Afghan-owned peace and reconciliation process.

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## **Press Releases: Secretary Pompeo's Meeting With Uzbekistan President Shavkat Mirziyoyev**

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The following is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

Secretary Pompeo welcomed Uzbekistan President Shavkat Mirziyoyev to the Department of State in Washington, D.C. today in a historic visit to usher in a new era of strategic partnership between the United States and Uzbekistan. The Secretary reaffirmed the longstanding U.S. commitment to supporting Uzbekistan's sovereignty, independence, and territorial integrity, and commended Uzbekistan's increasing engagement with its neighbors and the international community, including Uzbekistan's key role in making Central Asia a stable and prosperous region, and its support for international efforts to stabilize Afghanistan. Secretary Pompeo recognized Uzbekistan's progress in rule of law, economic liberalization, and human rights. The Secretary offered continued support to the Uzbek government in implementing President Mirziyoyev's reform agenda. Secretary Pompeo and President

Mirziyoyev also discussed opportunities to enhance bilateral trade, attract foreign direct investment, and increase ties between our people and societies.

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