<u>Press Releases: Deputy Secretary</u> <u>Sullivan's Meeting With Angolan</u> <u>Minister of External Relations Manuel</u> <u>Augusto</u>

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

Yesterday, Deputy Secretary of State John J. Sullivan met with Angolan Minister of External Relations Manuel Augusto on the margins of the United Nations General Assembly.

The Deputy Secretary applauded the Lourenço Administration's bold steps to fight corruption, strengthen democratic institutions, and improve the business climate in Angola. He pledged U.S. support for Angola's efforts to recover stolen assets and promote transparency and accountability. Finally, Deputy Secretary Sullivan thanked Minister Augusto for Angola's regional leadership in supporting credible and non-violent elections in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and encouraged Angola to keep the pressure on North Korea to work towards a de-nuclearized Korean peninsula.

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