

# Press Releases: Deputy Secretary Sullivan's Meetings on Economic Engagement With South Africa

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The below is attributable to Deputy Spokesperson Robert Palladino:

During his visit to Johannesburg and Pretoria March 13-16, Deputy Secretary of State John J. Sullivan met with South African business leaders and experts to discuss priority economic issues in South Africa, including enhancing the business climate to create conditions for greater U.S. commercial engagement. Deputy Secretary Sullivan welcomed the opportunity to engage directly with these economic and business thought-leaders on issues that affect the U.S.-South Africa trade and investment relationship.

Deputy Secretary Sullivan also discussed the importance of ensuring a level playing field for business with South African Minister of Trade and Industry Rob Davies. The Deputy Secretary noted that South Africa is the United States' most developed trade and investment partner on the continent and underscored that U.S. business brings long-term benefits for South Africa and South Africans.

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