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Press Statement
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On behalf of the U.S. government, I extend best wishes to the people of Haiti as you celebrate the 214th anniversary of Haiti's independence.

The United States and Haiti share a long history of close relations, and our futures are even more closely linked through the nearly one million Haitian Americans who contribute to both American prosperity and the economic growth of Haiti.

We acknowledge the tremendous strides Haiti has made over the last year. The inauguration of President Moïse in February, and the work Haiti is undertaking to stabilize its electoral system going forward, can reaffirm the Haitian people's commitment to democracy, human rights, and the rule of law. We also note significant progress in security, and commend Haiti's efforts to develop its agricultural sector.

As a longstanding friend and partner, the United States remains committed to supporting Haiti as it strives to increase economic growth and investment, unlocking its full potential.

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