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Press Statement
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On behalf of the people of the United States of America, I would like to extend heartfelt congratulations to the people of New Zealand as you mark the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi on February 6.

We count New Zealand as one of our closest partners; the strong ties between our peoples are at the heart of our relationship. More New Zealanders and Americans than ever before travel between our two countries in search of academic advancement, business opportunities, and new friendships. In turn, our governments work together across a host of areas including advancing democratic principles, promoting security in troubled corners of the globe, and pushing the boundaries of scientific exploration. We value our warm relationship with New Zealand and look forward to working together to accomplish even more in the years ahead.

I wish all New Zealanders around the world a proud Waitangi Day.

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