<u>Press Releases: On the Commemoration</u> <u>of the Failed Coup Attempt in Turkey</u>

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Two years ago, nearly 250 Turkish citizens lost their lives, and thousands were wounded in the heinous failed coup attempt of July 15. We offer our deepest condolences to the friends and loved ones of those injured or killed. The failed coup attempt was an attack on democracy and a stark reminder that the preservation of democracy requires perseverance and safeguards for fundamental freedoms. We reaffirm the United States' steadfast support for our NATO Ally Turkey and its democratic institutions.

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