## Press Releases: Remarks With Philippines Foreign Secretary Alan Peter Cayetano Before Their Meeting

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**SECRETARY TILLERSON:** Good morning, all. I want to welcome Secretary Cayetano from the Philippines to the State Department. Welcome, Mr. Secretary. I look forward to a great exchange. We have a number of important issues on which to discuss, and not the least of which is the important upcoming East Asia Summit in Manila. So welcome, Mr. Secretary.

FOREIGN SECRETARY CAYETANO: Thank you.

SECRETARY TILLERSON: Pleasure to have you at the State Department.

**QUESTION:** Mr. Secretary, did the Cuban Government offer any answers as to what's happening to American diplomats in Havana?

SECRETARY TILLERSON: We'll have something to say about it later.

QUESTION: Will you be -

**QUESTION:** So considering closing the embassy?

SECRETARY TILLERSON: We'll let you know.

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