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Remarks Mike Pompeo

Secretary of State

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SECRETARY POMPEO: Good afternoon, everyone. Welcome.

FOREIGN MINISTER BALAKRISHNAN: Thank you.

SECRETARY POMPEO: Very, very nice to see you. Thanks for coming to visit.

FOREIGN MINISTER BALAKRISHNAN: Always a pleasure to be back.

SECRETARY POMPEO: Yeah, it's good to have you back, and then we'll see you in a couple weeks.

FOREIGN MINISTER BALAKRISHNAN: Next week.

SECRETARY POMPEO: Next week.

FOREIGN MINISTER BALAKRISHNAN: Yes. (Laughter.)

SECRETARY POMPEO: Exactly. Thank you, all.

FOREIGN MINISTER BALAKRISHNAN: Thank you.

QUESTION: Mr. Secretary, should the Senate ratify any agreement with North Korea? Should the U.S. consider waiving sanctions for (inaudible) and sending aid to North Korea?

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