

# Press Releases: Secretary Pompeo and Secretary of Defense Mattis Host the 2018 Australia-U.S. Ministerial (AUSMIN) Consultations in Palo Alto

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Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo and Secretary of Defense James Mattis will host Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs Julie Bishop and Minister for Defence Marise Payne for this year's Australia-U.S. Ministerial Consultations (AUSMIN) at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California on July 23-24, 2018.

This AUSMIN celebrates 100 years of Mateship, marking the centenary of U.S. and Australian forces fighting side by side in battle for the first time.

The dialogue will focus on deepening our strategic alliance and developing initiatives to promote our shared vision of peace, stability, and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific and beyond. The United States and Australia have held annual strategic consultations since 1985. Foreign Minister Bishop and Defense Minister Payne last hosted the United States for these ministerial talks in Sydney, Australia, on June 5, 2017.

We will provide a more detailed schedule prior to the ministerial.

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