<u>Press Releases: Secretary Pompeo's</u> <u>Call with Philippine Secretary of</u> <u>Foreign Affairs</u>

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

Secretary Michael R. Pompeo spoke by phone today with the Philippines' Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Teodoro Locsin Jr., to congratulate him on his new position. The Secretary reaffirmed the longstanding U.S.-Philippines alliance and recognized the Philippines' important role in the Indo-Pacific region. Secretary Pompeo and Secretary Locsin discussed ongoing efforts to address regional issues such as North Korea, the South China Sea, and counterterrorism.

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