<u>Press Releases: Secretary Tillerson</u> and Secretary Mattis Host the U.S.-China Diplomatic and Security Dialogue

Notice to the Press Office of the Spokesperson

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The U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Defense will host the inaugural U.S.-China Diplomatic and Security Dialogue (D&SD) on June 21, 2017, at the Department of State.

U.S. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson and Secretary of Defense Jim Mattis will join Chinese State Councilor Yang Jiechi and General Fang Fenghui, Chief of the People's Liberation Army's Joint Staff Department, along with members of the U.S. delegation and their Chinese colleagues for the D&SD.

There will be a camera spray preceding the dialogue and a joint press availability following the dialogue. The camera spray will be pooled press and the press availability will be open press.

The joint press availability with Secretary Tillerson and Secretary Mattis will begin at 2:55 p.m.

Pre-set time for video cameras: 1:45 p.m. from the 23rd Street Entrance.

Final access time for still photographers and journalists: 2:30 p.m. from the 23^{rd} Street Entrance.

The event will be streamed live on www.state.gov, Facebook.com/usdos and BNET. Follow @StateDept, @USAsiaPacific, and #USChina for more information.

Media representatives may attend this event upon presentation of one of the following: (1) A U.S. Government-issued identification card (Department of State, White House, Congress, Department of Defense or Foreign Press Center), (2) a media-issued photo identification card, or (3) a letter from their employer on letterhead verifying their employment as a journalist, accompanied by an official photo identification card (driver's license, passport).

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