<u>Press Releases: Secretary Tillerson's</u> <u>Call With Japanese Foreign Minister</u> <u>Fumio Kishida</u>

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

On May 15, Secretary Tillerson spoke with Japanese Foreign Minister Kishida to discuss the Democratic People's Republic of Korea's (DPRK's) May 13 ballistic missile test. Secretary Tillerson reaffirmed our ironclad commitment to stand with our allies. Both Secretary Tillerson and Foreign Minister Kishida agreed that the DPRK's latest provocation served as another call for all nations to impose far stronger sanctions against the DPRK. Secretary Tillerson also stressed the need to deepen U.S.-Japan-Republic of Korea trilateral cooperation in the face of the DPRK's provocative weapons programs.

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