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Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs Thomas A. Shannon, Jr. and Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs Director General Yuval Rotem co-chaired the first U.S.-Israel Foreign Policy Dialogue in Washington, DC on February 12. 2018.

The dialogue addressed issues of mutual interest in the Middle East and across the globe including opportunities for cooperation in Africa on development, economics, and counterterrorism; challenges in Asia and ways to advance shared interests in the Indo-Pacific region; and efforts to advance shared approaches to regional engagement in the Americas in collaboration with the Organization of American States. The dialogue also focused on digital diplomacy and recent developments in research and social media technology. Both sides expressed an interest to continue this dialogue on a regular basis in Washington and Jerusalem.

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