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The U.S. Department of State hosted the fifth U.S.-Republic of Korea (R.O.K.) Energy Security Dialogue in Washington, DC on June 8, 2018. Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Energy Diplomacy Sandra Oudkirk and Ministry of Foreign Affairs Director-General for Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Scientific Affairs Kwon Sei-joong led the discussions.

Officials from the U.S. Departments of Energy and Commerce participated in the dialogue along with a Korean delegation from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Korea Electric Power Company Research Institute, and the Embassy of the Republic of Korea in Washington, DC.

The discussion reinforced the role energy cooperation plays in strengthening the U.S.-R.O.K. partnership and focused on national energy policies, bilateral energy cooperation, regional energy issues, and areas of mutual cooperation in multilateral fora devoted to energy.

As President Trump highlighted in his visit to the Republic of Korea in November 2017, the U.S.-R.O.K. alliance remains a linchpin for security, stability, and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific. Today's energy dialogue builds on that vision and the strong bilateral cooperation that serves as a foundation for our solid alliance with the R.O.K.

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