<u>Press Releases: Assistant Secretary</u> <u>Kevin E. Moley Travel to Geneva</u>

Media Note Office of the Spokesperson

Washington, DC May 21, 2018

Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs Kevin E. Moley will travel to Geneva, Switzerland, May 22-25 as part of the U.S. delegation to the 71st World Health Assembly. Secretary of Health and Human Services Alex M. Azar II will lead the delegation, which will engage with counterparts on a host of priorities, including global health preparedness, support for maternal, child health and life issues; and the endgame for global polio eradication.

While in Geneva, Assistant Secretary Moley will also meet with leadership of several international organizations, including the World Health Organization, the United Nations Office at Geneva, and the International Telecommunication Union.

For further information, contact <u>IO-Press-DL@state.gov</u>. Follow the Bureau of International Organization Affairs at @State_IO.

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Press Releases: Secretary Pompeo's

Meeting With Greek Foreign Minister <u>Nikos Kotzias</u>

Readout Office of the Spokesperson

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

Secretary of State Mike Pompeo met today with Greek Foreign Minister Nikos Kotzias at the Department of State. Secretary Pompeo and Foreign Minister Kotzias discussed the excellent state of bilateral relations and agreed to establish a U.S.-Greek Strategic Dialogue on key areas of cooperation. The Secretary commended Greece for its leadership role in the region, including efforts to address challenges in the Balkans and the Eastern Mediterranean. The Secretary also offered continued support for Greece's economic recovery and underscored the importance the United States places on its role as the honored country at the 2018 Thessaloniki International Fair. The two agreed to remain in close communication on these and other bilateral, regional, and global issues of mutual interest, and to work closely together in coming days to ensure stability of the Eastern Mediterranean.

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<u>Press Releases: Deputy Secretary</u> <u>Sullivan's Meeting With South African</u>

Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Lindiwe Sisulu

Public Schedule Office of the Spokesperson

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

Deputy Secretary of State John J. Sullivan met today with South African Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Lindiwe Sisulu on the margins of the G20 Ministerial in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

The Deputy Secretary welcomed President Ramaphosa's new government and his commitment to transparency, and expressed optimism that an improved business environment would open doors to prosperity for both countries. He encouraged a closer South African alignment with U.S. priorities, such as working together on global security and keeping the pressure on North Korea to work towards a de-nuclearized Korean Peninsula. Deputy Secretary Sullivan and Minister Sisulu discussed the importance of our bilateral trade relationship and pledged to continue high-level contacts between our governments.

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<u>Press Releases: Deputy Secretary John</u> <u>J. Sullivan's Meeting With Saudi</u>

Foreign Minister al-Jubeir

Readout Office of the Spokesperson

Washington, DC May 21, 2018

The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

Deputy Secretary of State John J. Sullivan met today with Saudi Foreign Minister al-Jubeir at the G-20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The Deputy Secretary noted the strong U.S.-Saudi bilateral relationship and reiterated our commitment to strengthen our ties further. Deputy Secretary Sullivan thanked Foreign Minister al-Jubeir for his government's support for the President's decision to withdraw from the JCPOA and Saudi Arabia's commitment to address the full array of threats posed by Iran. The two leaders covered a broad range of regional and bilateral issues. On Yemen, the two discussed how best to support the UN-led political process, as well as efforts to improve the dire economic and humanitarian situation.

Deputy Secretary Sullivan emphasized the United States' desire to resolve the Gulf dispute and his hope that all parties will engage constructively ahead of the U.S.-GCC Summit later this year.

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<u>Press Releases: Deputy Secretary</u> <u>Sullivan's Meeting With Indian</u>

Minister of State for External Affairs <u>VK Singh</u>

Readout Office of the Spokesperson

Washington, DC May 21, 2018

The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

Deputy Secretary of State John J. Sullivan met today with Indian Minister of State for External Affairs VK Singh on the margins of the G-20 Summit. The two leaders affirmed the strong U.S.-India strategic partnership and India's status as a Major Defense Partner of the United States. During the meeting, Deputy Secretary Sullivan and Minister of State Singh also discussed the agenda for the inaugural 2+2 ministerial dialogue to be hosted in the coming months. They also discussed opportunities to advance stability in Afghanistan and the region.

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