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Response to Serbia and Croatia Statement on Reconciliation

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The United States warmly welcomes the joint statement of the Serbian and Croatian delegations. We are encouraged by the difficult steps their leaders are taking to acknowledge the tragic events of the past and to work together on important common issues. The historic visit last week by President Tadic and President Josipovic to Vukovar and Paulin Dvor was more than just a symbolic gesture. It demonstrated true commitment to reconciliation. We look forward to seeing this continued cooperation, which we agree is key to promoting lasting stability in the region.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.