United States Mission to the OSCE

Right of Reply to the Russian Federation on the Report of the OSCE Head of Mission to Montenegro

As delivered by Chargé d’Affaires Harry Kamian
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In response to the comments by my esteemed Russian colleague, I stand firmly behind the language that I used in my statement. We don’t need to repeat, for the benefit of the Council today, what happened in 2016 in Montenegro as well as Russia’s role there.

What I would like to do is to stress that the United States is a partner, a friend, and an Ally of Montenegro. We’ll stand shoulder to shoulder with that country in strengthening its ability to fend off any sort of foreign interference in its country as well as to strengthen its desire to move toward Euro-Atlantic integration, which it has clearly stated.

Thank you.