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FACT SHEET: PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP ESTABLISHES ONE VOICE FOR AMERICA'S FOREIGN RELATIONS

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A UNIFIED VOICE FOR AMERICA'S FOREIGN RELATIONS: Today, President Donald J. Trump signed an Executive Order establishing one clear, unified voice for America's foreign relations.

- The Order reaffirms that all individuals involved in implementing the President's foreign policy do so under his authority and direction.
- It reasserts the Secretary of State's authority over Foreign Service Officers, Civil Service Officers, or other staff, under the supervision of the President.
- It directs the Secretary of State to reform the foreign service in areas such as recruiting, performance, evaluation, and retention standards to ensure only the most qualified and committed individuals represent American interests abroad.
- The Secretary of State is tasked with ensuring the faithful and effective implementation of the President's foreign policy agenda, in accordance with applicable law.
- The Order empowers the Secretary of State to revise or replace the Foreign Affairs Manual and any other procedural documents that guide the operations of the foreign service.

ALIGNING DIPLOMACY WITH AMERICA'S INTERESTS: President Trump is committed to safeguarding the integrity of U.S. foreign policy by ensuring that America's interests are prioritized through a unified diplomatic voice, with related personnel held accountable to the President's vision.

- This Executive Order reaffirms the constitutional authority of the President over foreign policy, duly ensuring that diplomatic actions align with President Trump's directives.
- The personnel procedures of agencies charged with implementing the President's foreign policy must provide an effective and efficient means for ensuring that officers and employees faithfully implement the President's policies.

- The Order guarantees a strong and effective approach to international relations that always serves U.S. interests first.
- No longer will America be taken advantage of by foreign nations or by rogue actors who undermine our sovereignty or security.

KEEPING HIS PROMISE TO PUT AMERICA FIRST: This Executive Order builds on bold actions already taken by President Trump and reinforces his promise to put America first in every aspect of foreign relations.

- On Day One, President Trump signed an “America First Policy Directive” to the Secretary of State that declared that the United States’ foreign policy must always put the interests of America and its citizens first.
- President Trump was elected to achieve peace through strength and ensure foreign policy reflects U.S. values, sovereignty, and security.
- This Executive Order solidifies President Trump’s commitment to accountability and effectiveness in America’s diplomatic service.

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