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"Our view is that the negotiations that have been taking place between Turkey and Armenia offer a positive path for the future. Anything that would impede the success of those discussions and negotiations I think is objectionable and I would just leave it there."

--Secretary Gates, News Conference, Ankara Turkey, 2/9/10 (Response to question: Do you think it will be helpful to US-Turkish relations if the Armenian Genocide Resolution passes?)