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Jake/Toria,

The U.S.-Romania Ballistic Missile Defense Agreement (BMDA) will officially enter-into-force (EIF) next Wednesday, December 21. A cable will be transmitted on Monday evening to key allies and partners informing them of this milestone, and the U.S. and Romania will release a brief joint statement announcing EIF of the BMDA on Wednesday morning.

Ellen Tauscher provided Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Ryabkov a pre-notification of the announcement at their meeting this past Wednesday in Washington. While Ryabkov noted that Russia would respond to the announcement with its normal talking points, he said that he appreciated the advanced notification. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Frank

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