

Hello.

I hope you are doing well. I'm reaching out on behalf of our firm client, the Embassy of the United Arab Emirates (UAE). I want to share with you some developments on the Yemen civil war and the continued pursuit of peace by the UAE through the UN-led truce and President Leadership Council.

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"We must support stability across Yemen and help the country get back on the path to durable peace,"  
#USEnvoyYemen Lenderking stressed during a meeting with UAE FM @AbZayed. Lenderking welcomed UAE's strong support for the UN-led truce and the Presidential Leadership Council.



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On Wednesday, October 5 the [State Department held a telephonic press briefing](#) with Special Envoy for Yemen, Tim Lenderking. I want to highlight two exchanges for you below.

**QUESTION:** *Given recent reporting about Houthi threats to attack facilities and other things in Saudi Arabia, in the UAE, and in areas controlled by the Yemeni Government, what are your expectations for those threats to be realized? And what means will the U.S. use to resort to pressure the Houthis to return to the peace process?*

**MR LENDERKING:** "Thank you very much for the question. We saw the Houthi rhetoric that threatened commercial shipping and oil companies. This is completely unacceptable. We made that clear in the statement we released on Monday from Washington. It remains in our national interest to help our Gulf partners defend themselves from any external aggression, and we would do so in the case of aggression coming from Yemen. The President and the Secretary have been clear that the United States will continue to support our Gulf partners, their legitimate defense needs, in order to meet existing and emerging threats – and that includes the cross-border attacks from Yemen and elsewhere against targets inside Saudi Arabia and the UAE. After all, there are more than 120,000 U.S. citizens living and working in the countries of the Gulf region. I know that the President and the Secretary have no higher objective than ensuring the security of Americans wherever they live abroad."

**QUESTION:** *Thank you so much for doing this. How do you evaluate the UAE position supporting the President Leadership Council?*

**MR LENDERKING:** Thank you very much. I mean, my – in the last point, I spoke about visiting Oman regularly. Of course I also travel very regularly to the United Arab Emirates – extremely valuable partnership

that we have with them on Yemen, looking at the full range of issues that encompass the security of the seas around the southern peninsula and also internal stability inside Yemen. Emirati support for the Presidential Leadership Council is very important. They have pledged, as you know, economic support to the PLC. We look forward to seeing that disbursed on an urgent basis. The unity and integrity of the PLC is very important to all of the efforts that I've been talking about, and these were – these were points that the Secretary of State made to His Excellency Rashad al-Alimi when they met in New York two weeks ago.

I hope this information is helpful.

All the best,



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