<u>Press Releases: Bilateral Dialogue</u> <u>Between the United States and the</u> <u>Republic of Korea on Counterterrorism</u>

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On April 25, U.S. and South Korean officials met in Seoul, Republic of Korea (ROK), for the fifth bilateral dialogue between the United States and the ROK on Counterterrorism.

Acting Principal Deputy Coordinator for Counterterrorism Alina Romanowski led the U.S. delegation, which included officials from the Departments of State, Defense, and Homeland Security, and the National Center for Counterterrorism. The 18-member Korean interagency delegation was led by Ambassador for International Security Affairs, Choi Hong-ghi.

The meeting was designed to strategically deepen the U.S.-ROK counterterrorism partnership, particularly in SE Asia and as the Republic of Korea prepares to hold the 2018 Winter Olympic Games in Pyeongchang. The United States views the Republic of Korea as a vital and highly capable partner in this endeavor. Topics included global and regional terrorist threats, terrorist use of the Internet, interagency cooperation, and aviation and border security.

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