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MEDIA NOTE

**ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE ANN STOCK TO TRAVEL
TO BANGLADESH AND BURMA**

DHAKA, FEBRUARY 7 -- Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs Ann Stock will travel to Bangladesh and Burma February 9-14, 2013 to engage with youth, civil society and promote academic and cultural exchange opportunities in the United States. She will also meet with State Department program alumni to hear about their experiences in the United States and what they are doing with the skills they acquired.

In Bangladesh, Assistant Secretary Stock will lead a conversation at the new Edward M. Kennedy Center with State Department exchange alumni who established Jaago, Bangladesh's largest youth volunteer organization. They will discuss how youth are transforming their societies. She will also meet with [EducationUSA](#) advising staff and students, as well as participants of the [English Access Microscholarship Program](#) in Dhaka.

While in Burma, Assistant Secretary Stock will open the first-ever EducationUSA-sponsored University Fair in Rangoon. She will meet with civil society and youth to explore new opportunities for academic and cultural exchanges between the United States and Burma. Assistant Secretary Stock will also travel to Naypyitaw for meetings with the Minister of Education and other government officials.

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