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Embassy Marines Bring Christmas Cheer to SOS Children's Home

Members of the U.S. Embassy's Marine Detachment were joined by Ambassador Wohlers on a visit to Skopje's SOS Children's Village to help Santa deliver toys donated by Embassy staff. The Toys for Tots program is a tradition for U.S. Marines throughout the world, focused on bringing holiday cheer to underprivileged children.



Ambassador Wohlers speaks at American Corner Skopje

On January 29, U.S. Ambassador Paul Wohlers visited the American Corner Skopje and had a conversation with over 40 participants as part of the Corner's Coffee with a Diplomat program. The Ambassador gave the audience the opportunity to ask him questions on ...[more](#).



President Obama's 2014 State of the Union Address

Jan. 28 - "In a world of complex threats," President Obama says in his 2014 State of the Union address at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, "our security and leadership depend on all elements of our power including strong and principled diplomacy."



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Deputy Assistant Secretary Yee Visits Macedonia

Hoyt Brian Yee, the U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary (DAS) for European and Eurasian Affairs, visited Skopje on January 27-28, in his first visit to Macedonia since replacing DAS Philip Reeker in November 2013. During his visit DAS Yee, accompanied by Ambassador Wohlers, met with ... [more](#).



Ambassador visits Kr. Palanka & Staro Nagoricane

Thursday, Jan 23rd, the Ambassador met the mayors of Kriva Palanka and Staro Nagoricane and toured local sites, including Ilinden Elementary School to see the good work of Peace Corps Volunteer, Justin Ritsema, and Bonum's production facility.



U.S. Shifting Focus from Combat to Diplomacy

U.S. foreign policy in 2014 will shift from a military focus to one emphasizing diplomatic channels. ...[more](#).

Renewable Energy, Communication Key to Fighting Climate Change

Innovation and communication are key strategies for winning public support for the transition to a low-carbon economy and reduced emissions, according to...[more](#).

U.S. Works to End Domestic and International Gender Violence

The Obama administration is redoubling its efforts to end gender violence in the United States as well as around the world. ...[more](#).

World Economic Forum

Secretary Kerry (Jan. 24): "America is proud to be more engaged than ever, and, I believe, is playing as critical a role, perhaps as critical as ever, in pursuit of peace, prosperity, and stability in various parts of the world." ...



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New Federal Reserve Chief Outlines Her Policy Priorities

The U.S. Senate votes to confirm economist Janet Yellen as the first chairwoman of the U.S. Federal Reserve in its 100-year history...[more](#).

U.S. Works to Prevent Human Trafficking at Major Sporting Events

Major sporting events offer excitement, and economic opportunities. They also attract the crime of human trafficking, says Luis CdeBaca, the ambassador-...[more](#).

Global Economy to Grow Modestly in 2014, World Bank Says

The world economy is projected to grow 3.2 percent in 2014, up from 2.4 percent in 2013, with growth picking up in developing countries and supported by recovery...[more](#).

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