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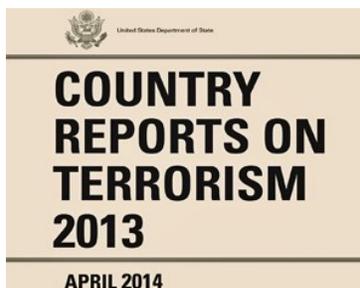
## *U.S. Embassy Macedonia*



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### [Release of Country Reports on Terrorism 2013](#)

Country Reports on Terrorism 2013 are submitted in compliance with Title 22 of the U. S. Code, Section 2656f (the "Act"), which requires the Dept. of State to provide to Congress a full and complete annual report on terrorism for those countries and groups meeting the criteria of the Act.



[Story](#)

### [U.S. Alumni Gather to Network and Reminisce](#)

The U.S. Embassy hosted a reunion party on April 23 for recently returned alumni of U.S. Government exchange programs. Alumni posted their names on a giant U.S. map to show where they had traveled, networked with new friends and colleagues, took photos, and spoke about their exchange experiences for an alumni video.



### ["Toward a Europe Whole and Free" Conference](#)

Secretary Kerry (Apr. 29):  
"If we want a Europe that is both whole and free, then we have to do more together immediately,



with a sense of urgency, to ensure that European nations are not dependent on Russia for the majority of their energy."

[Video](#)

### [United for Ukraine](#)

Op-ed by Ambassador Paul D. Wohlers - "For the sake of a Europe whole, free, and at peace, we all need to stand together, united for Ukraine." ...[more](#).



### [Tragic Loss of Life in Odesa](#)

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#### **Statement by Marie Harf, Deputy Spokesperson, U.S. Department of State**

The United States today mourns with all Ukrainians the heartbreaking loss of life in Odesa. Today the international community must stand together in support of the Ukrainian people as they cope with this tragedy. ... [more](#).

### [NATO's Relevance to Peace Remains Strong, Biden Says](#)

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NATO remains as relevant to the peace and security of Europe as it did when it was founded 65 years ago, says U.S. Vice President Biden. ...[more](#).

### [Obama, Merkel Say Stronger Sanctions Likely Against Russia](#)

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President Obama and German Chancellor Angela Merkel say additional and more severe economic sanctions against Russia are likely because of continued destabilizing ...[more](#).

### [19th-Century Shipwreck Found Near San Francisco — Again](#)

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The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration announces the rediscovery of the underwater wreck of the passenger steamer City of Chester,..[more](#).

### [U.S. Embassy Honors Women Leaders](#)

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The U.S. Embassy hosted a reception to mark Women's History Month, featuring talks on inspiring ideas by a panel of distinguished women leaders. The panelists spoke on a wide variety of topics, challenging the audience to look for opportunities for change, growth, innovation, and reform. ...[more](#).



### [Global Level of Press Freedom Still Falling](#)

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Global press freedom has fallen to its lowest level in a decade, according to Freedom House, a U.S.-based nongovernmental organization that conducts research...[more](#).

### [Hagel Calls for NATO Meeting on Defense Investment](#)

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Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel calls for the creation of a new NATO ministerial meeting focused on defense investment that includes finance ministers or senior...[more](#).

### [Intellectual Property Protections Help Creators, Consumers](#)

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World Intellectual Property Day is April 26. Intellectual property is a valuable asset for an entrepreneur. It consists of inventions, literary and artistic...[more](#).

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The Corners also host a wide variety of events: such as cultural programs and guest lectures from U.S. Embassy officials, Fulbright scholars, and others, film and video showings, poetry readings, conversational hours, Readers Club, children's story hours, and many other activities.

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