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[New AFCP Grant Signed for the 14th Century Tower](#)

On October 1, Ambassador Wohlers, along with Minister of Culture Mileska, signed an agreement for a \$97,720 grant to restore a 14th century tower in the town of Kratovo. This is the twelfth AFCP grant awarded to Macedonia in the past thirteen years, bringing the amount invested to over one million dollars.



[President Obama at the UN General Assembly](#)

President Obama (Sept 24, 2014): "... peace is not merely the absence of war, but the presence of a better life."

[Story](#) [Video](#)



[Statement by the President on Airstrikes in Syria](#)

President Obama (Sept 23, 2014): "Earlier this month, I outlined for the American people our strategy to confront the threat posed by the terrorist group known as ISIL. I made clear that as part of this campaign the United States would take action against..."



ALSO: [Story](#) [Video](#)

[Equal Futures Partnership](#)

Secretary Kerry (Sept. 22): "The theme of this year's meeting, increasing women's representation in leadership positions, is at the heart of what we can really do to change things on a global basis." ...



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[Ambassador Wohlers attends conference on WWI](#)

On September 11, Ambassador Wohlers gave welcoming remarks at the opening of a scientific conference on the 100th anniversary of WWI, co-organized by the Institute for Spiritual and Cultural Heritage of the Albanians (ITSH) in Skopje and the Ss. Cyril ...[more](#).



[2016 Diversity Immigrant Visa \(“Green Card”\) lottery program](#)

The U.S. Embassy in Skopje, Macedonia, is pleased to announce that registration for the 2016 DV Visa lottery program will begin on October 1, 2014 at 12:00 noon, ...[more](#).

[Hagel: Defense Dept. to Begin Testing for Ebola Vaccine Candidate](#)

Defense Secretary Hagel describes ways the Pentagon is helping in the current battle against Ebola and department efforts in the broader battle against infectious disease outbreaks of the future. ...[more](#).

[U.S. Supports Inclusive, Open Internet](#)

Three U.S. diplomats raise public awareness about what Internet governance is and why it matters to everyone. ...[more](#).

[Statement of Jess Baily, Ambassador-Designate to the Republic of Macedonia](#)

(Sept 17, 2014) Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Ambassador-Designate Jess Baily: "I am honored to appear before you today as President Obama's nominee for the position of United States Ambassador to the Republic of Macedonia," ...[more](#).

[Kerry: Afghanistan's Triumph of Statesmanship, Compromise](#)

Secretary of State Kerry discusses the statesmanship and diplomacy that were central to solving the Afghanistan election dispute. ...[more](#).

[Partnership Helps Bosnia and Herzegovina Step Up to Peacekeeping](#)

The United States applauds Bosnia and Herzegovina's continued national investment in peacekeeping and looks forward to building the partnership...[more](#).

[New Report Tracks Illegal Ivory, Rhino Horn Trade](#)

Illegal rhino horn trade has reached the highest levels since the early 1990s, and illegal trade in ivory increased by nearly 300 percent from 1998 to 2011...[more](#).

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