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PRESS RELEASE

U. S. EMBASSY STATEMENT

The Embassy of the United States condemns the recent violence in Senegal and calls on all Senegalese, including security forces and protesters, to exercise restraint and express themselves in a non-violent manner.

The Embassy calls on the Government of Senegal to uphold Senegal's long-standing democratic traditions; the Government must take all steps to ensure that the upcoming presidential election is free, fair and transparent.

The United States looks forward to working with its international partners in Senegal in observing the election and helping ensure its integrity.

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