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Foreign Affairs Breakdown - April 5, 2024

U.S. Congress

Committee Hearings

House Energy and Commerce Committee

(Mon. 4/8) (3:30 PM)

Hearing on "Biden's LNG Export Ban: How Rush-to-Green Politics Hurts Local Communities and U.S. Energy Security"

Press Releases

Senate Foreign Relations Committee - Chairman Cardin

Chair Cardin Statement on NATO's 75th Anniversary

House Foreign Affairs Committee - Chairman McCaul

McCaul, Meeks Commemorate NATO's 75th Anniversary

Administration

China	Europe	Finland
Remarks by Secretary of the Treasury Janet L. Yellen Ahead of Bilateral Meeting with Vice Premier He Lifeng of the People's Republic of China	Secretary Blinken Officially Launches the Minerals Security Partnership Forum with the European Commission	The United States of America and Finland Sign Memorandum of Understanding to Expand Collaboration on Countering Foreign Information Manipulation
Norway		Uganda

Readout of Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Policy Sasha Baker's Meeting With Norwegian Ministry of Defense State Secretary Anne Marie Aanerud Statement from National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan on Ugandan Court Upholding the Anti-Homosexuality Act

Press Releases

White House

Statement from President Joe Biden on NATO's 75th Anniversary

Department of State

Secretary Antony J. Blinken And U.S-EU Trade and Technology Council Ministerial Co-Chairs At Sixth U.S.-EU Trade and Technology Council Joint Press Availability

Publications

Atlantic Council

Accelerating transatlantic defense innovation in an era of strategic competition - "If advanced technologies are a key pillar of winning the era of strategic competition, and allies are one of the United States' great advantages, then surely tech collaboration with allies should be a center of gravity of US means to win. In a race of innovation, harnessing the perspectives, experiences, and extant investment of a diverse network of partners is a huge strategic advantage for the United States and NATO."

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

<u>What Lies Behind India's Rising Female Voter Turnout</u> - "Female voters have become a formidable force in Indian elections. Now more than ever, political parties have made women a central preoccupation of both their electoral campaigns as well as their governing strategies once in office. With the eventual implementation of gender quotas in state and national legislatures, gender could become an important identity shaping electoral outcomes."

Center for Strategic and International Studies

<u>The U.S.-Japan Alliance in 2024: Toward an Integrated Alliance</u> - "Unlike many Western democracies, Japan has avoided the worst impulses of populism and isolationism. Its role in supporting a free and open international order grounded in the rule of law is therefore more important than ever. But looking ahead, the urgency of the international environment will demand more from Japan, and from the U.S.-Japan alliance."

United States Institute of Peace

Senegal just saved its democracy. That helps all West Africa. - "Senegal's preservation of democracy — and the contrasting failures to do so over a decade or more in neighboring, coup-stricken states of Guinea, Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger — offer lessons for action. The core, long-term policy failure in the coup-damaged states has been to ignore slow erosions of democratic institutions — freedoms of speech, press and assembly — so that when political crisis strikes, neither local citizens nor outside partners have the kind of energetic civil society, press, democratic culture and judiciary that just saved the day in Senegal."

Events

(Fri. 4/5) (5:00 PM) <u>Atomic Accord: Navigating Nuclear Diplomacy in Iran</u> *George Washington University* Speakers: Dr. Sina Azodi, Dr. Naysan Rafati, Negar Mortazavi (Fri. 4/5) (5:30 PM) <u>Voices from Palestine: Healthcare Advocacy in a Humanitarian</u> <u>Crisis</u> *Georgetown University* Speakers: Dr. Ifran Galaria, Dr. Tariq Haddad, Nurse Lana, Dr. Nina Sheth, Dr. Adlah Sukkar (Mon. 4/8) (9:00 AM) <u>The UN Global Plastics Treaty: Why Is It Needed?</u> *Stimson Center* Speakers: HSH Prince Albert II, Monica Arienzo, Philip Landrigan, Dacie Meng (Mon. 4/8) (1:00 PM) <u>What can the US learn from Europe about support for Ukraine?</u> *Atlantic Council* Speakers: Debra Cagan, Benjamin Haddad, Jan Havranek, Amb. John Herbst