

Readout of the President's Call with Prime Minister Cameron

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The President spoke today to British Prime Minister Cameron as part of their ongoing consultations on shared security challenges and advancing the special relationship. On Syria, the Leaders affirmed their commitment to the Geneva II process and addressed the growing humanitarian crisis caused by the conflict. The Prime Minister and the President noted the ongoing progress on dismantling Syria's chemical weapons program, as well as the important international contributions being made to this effort, including by the United States and United Kingdom. They also discussed the growing security challenge posed by extremist groups in Syria and the region. The President expressed support for the Prime Minister's ongoing efforts to encourage the leaders of Afghanistan and Pakistan to take concrete steps toward peace and stability. The two leaders also discussed the results of the all-party talks among Northern Ireland's political parties and they stressed the need for Northern Ireland's political parties to agree to concrete next steps on the Haass proposals, implement the Building a United Community initiative, and more broadly, continue to advance progress on the peace process in Northern Ireland. President Obama also updated the Prime Minister on the ongoing U.S. signals intelligence review and both leaders noted the intensive dialogue that the United States and United Kingdom have had on these issues, at all levels.