


# Türkiye National Day

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## Press Statement

Antony J. Blinken, Secretary of State

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On behalf of the United States of America, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the people of Türkiye as you celebrate the 101st anniversary of the founding of your Republic. This day marks a significant milestone in your nation's history, and we join you in honoring the progress of the Turkish people over the past century.

Over the course of 101 years, the friendship between our nations has grown deeper and stronger, underpinned by our shared values and mutual interests. The NATO Alliance forms the cornerstone of regional peace and security, and the United States is proud Türkiye has been a NATO Ally for 72 years.

The numbers of students, professionals, cultural and academic exchange participants, and tourist visitors traveling between our countries continue to grow, allowing us to learn, innovate, and lead together. Our partnerships in science, space, and clean energy technology further deepen the ties between our two peoples.

On this historic occasion, we celebrate the founding of the Republic of Türkiye with you and look forward to another century of friendship and alliance that benefits our peoples, the region, and the world. Thank you for being a steadfast ally and partner. My sincerest wishes to you and the people of Türkiye for continued peace, prosperity, and success.

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