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American Ambassador Praises U.S.-Israel Relationship at INSS Annual Conference

The U.S. ambassador to Israel Daniel Shapiro discussed the unwavering alliance between America and Israel at the Institute for National Security Studies (INSS) Eighth Annual Conference in Tel Aviv. "As the United States Ambassador to Israel, I am confident and comforted that in this challenging and sometimes unforgiving part of the world, neither is America alone." His Feb. 17 remarks highlighted three cornerstone principles that sustain the countries' robust friendship: shared values, mutual interests and pursuit of common prosperity. "First and foremost, we share a mutual commitment to democracy, liberty, equality, and justice for all of our citizens," said Shapiro. Shapiro also commended the INSS for its work in both countries' national security communities. "The U.S. Embassy in Israel has maintained a strong connection with this institution (INSS) from its founding nearly four decades ago. In the United States, our 'ideas industry,' as it is often called, plays a vital role in our national security community," said Shapiro. "We believe it is a model fit for export and emulation and we are proud to maintain such close ties with Israel's ideas industry. Our engagement comes from American philanthropy, from partnerships between Israeli institutions and peer institutions in the United States, and through interactions with our government."

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