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this came on the heels of a very successful meeting. You can be assured of our intentions and our determination to prevent the appearance of any acts of violence. What happened in Benghazi was very regrettable.

**S:** Thank you for that on a personal level and on behalf of your government. That is very important for me. I also am aware it's been quite challenging for the government to reassert civil security after the revolution you have faced.

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**FM Amr:** Thank you very much for this, Hillary. We will work together and cooperate with you on this.

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I know you had a clear statement about it a couple days ago. We appreciate that. Ordinary people in the United States, like ordinary people here, are against incitement. I don't know who benefits from this incitement. This is against all tenets of Islam which, you know, the religion does not call for this. But anyway, we need us to be united to condemn these acts on both sides. Incitement doesn't serve anyone. Freedom of speech, which we all want, when used for incitement works against all people.

**S:** As you said Mohamed, I have repeatedly, as has the President and other officials in our government, deplored not only the content of this stupid, very offensive film, but also intentional efforts to denigrate the religious beliefs of others. This runs counter to American history and the Constitution. But we've made clear that violent attacks are never justified in any religion.

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. But we have to exercise more self-discipline and also governments must be clear in rejecting any kind of offensive speech and stand for our values. That has to be the clear line drawn, because otherwise we'll be in a vicious downward circle against everyone who has ever felt offended, particularly on the Internet, where you can find anything deeply offensive. I think the double message of us deploring the content of such an offensive film or any kind of statement or content is really appropriate. Equally, I think it's appropriate to say we can't return offensive speech with violence. That's the message that has to be communicated.

**FM Amr:** Of course, that is what we are doing. Those coincide. They are looking for this kind of reaction. It's playing into their hands.

**S:** I think that's right. Anytime this happens, there's someone who hopes to profit from it. Government and leaders have to point out we are bigger than this.

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I hope we will clearly and consistently hear from the highest levels of the Egyptian government.

**FM Amr:** I agree with you. Calm is prevailing in Cairo and I hope this will continue in other countries also.