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One of our last foreign trips I made was — as Vice President was to visit the Prime Minister in Ottawa. And today, we were able to drive right into the many vital issues of importance for both our nations.



To that end, we're launching a high-level Climate Ambition Min- — Ambition Ministerial and to align our policies and our goals, and to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050.

committed to shared defense. The Prime Minister and I discussed our work with our European allies to bolster transatlantic security, which includes meeting our Wales commitments.

We also agreed to modernize the North American Aerospace Defense Command — NORAD — which is still the only bi-national military command of its kind. And we will launch an expanded U.S.-Canadian Arctic dialogue to cover issues related to continental security, economic and social development, and Arctic governance.

And finally, coming on the heels of the G7 meeting last Friday, it was an

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So thank you again, Mr. Prime Minister, for your friendship and for your leadership. And I look forward to when we're able to meet in person and — and all that Canada and the United States are going to accomplish together.

So, God bless you, and thanks for today.

PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU: Thank you so much, Joe. Thank you. Let me begin by saying that all of us are thinking of our friends in Texas right now. I know SaskPower has been sending electricity down. And as I told the President, Canada is here to help however we can.

Mr. President, it's been great to sit down with you this afternoon. This is, of course, not the first time we've worked together.

Back in 2016, I had the pleasure of hosting you here in Ottawa as Vice President. Over dinner, I remember talking about how the extraordinary friendship between Canada and the United States has not just weathered changing seasons; it has grown ever deeper and stronger.

Well, today, we're taking our next step forward. The President and I discussed the ambitious new partnership





