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**The U.S. and the New Angola:**  
**Secretary Pompeo's Visit to Luanda Accelerates a Fast-Growing and Vital Strategic Partnership**

**I. Media coverage**

[Pompeo backs anticorruption steps by Angola](#), *The Wall Street Journal*. Feb. 17.

- *"Secretary of State Mike Pompeo expressed support for the anticorruption stance and business-oriented agenda of Angolan President João Lourenço, following a meeting on Monday."*

[Pompeo stresses economic ties, fight against corruption in Angola](#), *Voice of America*. Feb. 17.

- *"[Lourenço] has pursued bad actors. I am optimistic that he will continue to liberate Angolans from corruption."*

[Promising 'true liberation,' Pompeo contrasts U.S. role in Africa with China's](#), *Washington Post*. Feb. 19.

[Pompeo blasts corruption, promotes U.S. business in Africa trip](#), *Reuters*. Feb. 17.

**II. State Department Statements**

[Secretary Michael R. Pompeo and Angolan Minister of External Relations Manuel Augusto at a Joint Press Availability](#), Feb. 17.

- *"President Lourenço shared his vision of a new Angola – government, business, civil society – and the great Angolan people are clearly ready for change."*
- *"I'm also encouraged by [Lourenço's] efforts to privatize state-owned enterprises, a move that will greatly, greatly attract private investment ... If parliament's new private investment law is implemented transparently and faithfully, then many, many more American businesses, many, many more Western businesses will come to Angola and create wealth, jobs, and opportunity for the Angolan people."*

[The United States and Angola: Deepening an Important Strategic Partnership](#), Feb. 16.

- *"The U.S. reaffirms its commitment to Angola and the Angolan people as they work to fight corruption and promote democracy."*
- *"Angola's improved anti-corruption efforts are reflected in its 19-place improvement... in the 2019 Transparency International Corruption Perceptions Index."*

### **III. Social Media**

#### **Embassy of Angola in the U.S.: [@EmbassyAngolaUS](#)**

- *Thank you, [@SecPompeo](#), for your visit to our country. We are grateful for the partnership of the United States, [@realDonaldTrump](#) and Congress as we build the [#NewAngola](#).*

#### **Secretary of State Michael Pompeo: [@SecPompeo](#)**

- *It was a pleasure to meet with Angolan President João Lourenço today in Luanda. The U.S. strongly supports [#Angola's](#) anti-corruption, democratization, and economic reform efforts.*
- *Informative discussion with U.S. and Angolan business leaders on promising opportunities to increase two-way trade and investment. Empowering the private sector will lead to a stronger, more prosperous [#Angola](#).*

#### **Morgan Ortagus, State Department Spokesperson: [@statedeptspox](#)**

- *One of the best parts of my job is getting to meet women who are changing their communities. These Angolan entrepreneurs are an inspiration to women and girls around the world!*