

Readout of the President's Video Conference with British Prime Minister David Cameron, French President Francois Hollande, and German Chancellor Angela Merkel

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President Obama spoke today by video conference with Prime Minister David Cameron of the United Kingdom, President Francois Hollande of France, and Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany to discuss the current situation in Syria and the ongoing refugee and migration crisis facing Europe. The leaders welcomed the prospect of a cessation of hostilities in Syria as outlined by the understanding reached in Munich on February 11, called on all parties to implement it faithfully, and reaffirmed their commitment to a political transition in Syria that will bring lasting peace and legitimate governance to the Syrian people. The leaders underscored the importance of an immediate halt to the indiscriminate bombing of civilian populations. The President also discussed with his counterparts steps to alleviate the humanitarian crisis in Syria and the importance of the NATO mission and coordination between Greece and Turkey to manage the flow of migrants into Europe.