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Democratic Alliance Shadow Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Stevens Mokgalapa issued a statement that read:

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President Xi Jinping congratulated Trump and said he looked forward to working together to promote ties in a "constructive" way to avoid conflict and confrontation. He added that both countries shared common interests and shouldered a "special and important responsibility in upholding world peace. I highly value China-U.S. relations and am looking forward to working with you to expand cooperation in all fields, including in bilateral, regional and global aspects." He says he expects they would "manage differences in a constructive way, in the spirit of non-conflict, non-confrontation, mutual respect, cooperation and win-win." In a phone conversation with Trump, Xi said that cooperation was "the only correct choice." A statement from Trump's presidential transition office read that "the leaders established a clear sense of mutual respect for one another."

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Tibet - India-resident the Dalai Lama congratulated Trump, saying the world places great hope in the democratic vision and leadership of the U.S. In a congratulatory letter the next day, he said the Tibetan people and himself were honored with the support received by respective U.S. presidents and fellow Americans in the Tibetan people's endeavour to protect and preserve ancient Buddhist culture.

Tibetan prime minister-in-exile Lobsang Sangay also congratulated Trump on his election victory. "I am grateful for the people and government of the US for hosting the Tibetan spiritual leader His Holiness the Dalai Lama, at the White House on many occasions." Sangay added that the Tibetan people are immensely grateful to the US for applauding and supporting a "middle-way" approach and encouraging dialogue between the Dalai Lama and Chinese authorities to lower tensions and resolve our differences.[29]

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President Hassan Rouhani said the result would not change his country's policies. He added, in reference to Trump's administration possibly distancing the U.S. from the rest of the world, that: "The position of the United States has been weakened within the international community and in the world's public opinion as a result of wrongful policies, and a wider gap with the global community and Europe will further harm that position." He also said that the U.S. could not spread Iranophobia as forcefully anymore in order to get international consensus against Iran. "The Islamic Republic's policy of constructive interaction with the world and breaking up nuclear sanctions, has placed Iran's economic ties with all countries on an improving and irreversible course." He noted that the JCPOA was an agreement with one country or government but was approved by the UN Security Council Resolution and thus could not be overturned unilaterally.

Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif said, while visiting Romania, that Iran expects a new government to respect the JCPOA. "It is our norm not to interfere in the domestic affairs of other countries. Since Iran and the US have no political relations, what is important is that America's next president is bound by the multilateral commitments of the JCPOA. We are certain the international community would expect the same thing from the United States of America." Foreign Ministry Spokesman Bahram Qassemi also said that U.S. policies in the past decades brought about "an unpleasant, bitter experience" for Iran. "What is important to Iran and its people, and would be used by them as evaluation criteria, is the next US administration's future performance and executive policies." He added that the policies of previous administrations, including intervention in the Middle East, are the "main factor behind the escalation of tensions." As such, he called for a review of its policies vis-à-vis other regions.

Secretary of the Supreme National Security Council (SNSC) Ali Shamkhani said the outcome indicates "a rise in frustration and distrust among the majority of the American society with the current structure and trends in the country." He also hoped the result would lead to a revision of policies that had been "based on disregard for the interests of the majority and reliance on countless resources, which it was using to pursue imperialism, interventionism, warfare, and bloodshed against other countries." He noted that no change in government in another country would make Iran change its "independent course and smart attitude."

Chairman of the Majlis Committee on National Security and Foreign Policy Alaeddin Boroujerdi said in response to Trump's campaign threats to do away with the JCPOA that: "The behavior of the Islamic Republic of Iran will be in proportion to the US behavior on any [act of] obstructionism with regard to the JCPOA implementation. Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei has emphasized, if they tear up the JCPOA, we [Iran] will burn it." He added that the result showed that the people are weary of traditional policies being controlled by the "Zionists' huge mafia network of power and finance." Lastly, he said Iran's policies will not change as it was opposed to America's "hegemonic policies."

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Cleric Moqtada al-Sadr issued a statement that censured Trump over his "escalating statements against Islam and Muslims" and calling on him to refrain from engaging in "new gambles with blood and war." It added: "Even if the US president changed, the hostile policies against the world will not change." He further called on Trump "not to throw himself into new gambles in the world of politics as the results would be nothing other than losses, blood and warfare -- something which would only prolong America's woes especially at the time it is going through a financial distress." He asked the people of the U.S.A. "not to be affected by the radicalism of their president, [otherwise they would] suffer from the international isolation because of the reckless policies which is unacceptable to every mind and every religion." He concluded the statement by signing off "Peace be on the American people. You have to know that Israel will remain our first enemy."

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Education Minister Naftali Bennett said: "Trump's victory is an opportunity for Israel to immediately retract the notion of a Palestinian state. This is the position of the president-elect. The era of a Palestinian state is over."

  Japan

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Prime Minister Shinzō Abe offered "heartfelt congratulations" to Trump and said the two countries are "unshakeable allies connected by common values such as freedom, democracy, basic human rights and rule of law. The stability of the Asia-Pacific region, which is the driving force of the global economy, brings peace and prosperity to the United States."

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Prime Minister Saad Hariri sent a congratulatory letter to Trump in which he assured him that Lebanon would remain committed to working with the new administration to reach a common understanding on regional issues. "Your leadership is necessary to ensure stability, security and peace in the Middle East."

Change and Reform bloc MP Alain Aoun praised the Trump victory on Twitter writing "within two weeks, two non-traditional presidential candidates, opposed by the classical political class, were brought [to power] by popular will." (In reference to both Trump and Michel Aoun's October 31 victories)

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• On December 2, 2016, U.S. President-Elect Donald Trump accepted a congratulatory phone call from Taiwanese President Tsai Ing-Wen, which was the first time since 1979 that a US President-Elect has publicly spoken to the President of Taiwan.

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President François Hollande says the election "opens a period of uncertainty. It must be faced with lucidity and clarity." He also congratulated Trump "as is natural between two heads of state [but] certain positions taken by Donald Trump during the American campaign must be confronted with the values and interests we share with the United States. What is at stake is peace, the fight against terrorism, the situation in the Middle East. It is economic relations and the preservation of the planet." He had previously endorsed Clinton.

Foreign Minister Jean-Marc Ayrault said France would continue to work with whoever wins. However, he was concerned about Trump's lead and said it could hold a cautionary message for Europe. "We don't want a world where egoism triumphs. [But] there is a part of our electorate that feels ... abandoned, [including people who feel] "left behind" by globalization." He added that a Trump victory could bring "more incertitude" to French politics.

Minister of Ecology Ségolène Royal referred to Trump's denial of climate change as "absolutely catastrophic" and expressed her belief that China would take the country's place in international affairs if the United States withdraws from its international agreements on climate change under his presidency.

National Front leader Marine Le Pen congratulated Trump even before the final result. She wrote on Twitter of her support for the "American people, free!".

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President Joachim Gauck congratulated Trump on his victory, although a few days before he expressed concerns over him being elected.

Chancellor Angela Merkel said that "Germany and America are tied by values of democracy, freedom and respect for the law and human dignity, independent of origin, skin colour, religion, gender, sexual orientation or political views. I offer the next president of the United States, Donald Trump, close cooperation on the basis of these values." The comment was interpreted as reintegrative shaming.

Vice Chancellor Sigmar Gabriel said: "Trump is the pioneer of a new authoritarian and chauvinist international movement. He is also a warning for us".

Foreign Minister and presidential nominee of the governing coalition Frank-Walter Steinmeier refused to congratulate Trump, and criticized Trump's views. He also refused to retract his previous description of Trump as a "hate preacher." However he said that Germany respected the outcome despite it not being favored by most Germans.

Defense Minister Ursula von der Leyen said the result was "a big shock" and "a vote against Washington, against the establishment. We Europeans obviously know that as partners in the NATO, Donald Trump will naturally ask what 'are you achieving for the alliance,' but we will also ask 'what's your stand toward the alliance.'" She added the government would work to establish working level contacts to find out the new contact persons.

Christian Democratic Union head of the Bundestag's Foreign Affair Committee Norbert Röttgen said: "We're realizing now that we have no idea what this American president will do if the voice of anger enters office and the voice of anger becomes the most powerful man in the world."

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Pope Francis on Twitter called for "dialogue, mutual acceptance and fraternal cooperation" after the election. Vatican secretary of state Cardinal Pietro Parolin expressed respect for the will of the people, noting the strong election turnout. He wished that Trump, whose wife would be the second Roman Catholic first lady, could serve towards the well-being of his people and the furtherance of world peace.

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Foreign Minister Péter Szijjártó hailed Trump's victory saying "courageous approaches, new and innovative policies will be needed" during these times, when "a new era has begun in both the world economy and world politics, which poses historic challenges for the whole world."

Jobbik leader Gábor Vona said: "We, the Hungarians respect other people's rights to form their own destinies and we expect this from everyone too. Therefore we congratulate the new president!"

Former prime minister and Democratic Coalition (DK) leader Ferenc Gyurcsány congratulated Trump in a Facebook post. In response to the Hungarian left-wing's reactions he added "there is no reason to panic. ... Orbán must be defeated at home. We cannot expect assistance from Washington. What we can learn from the United States election is that there is possible to overcome the lack of media coverage and funding. Moreover, pollsters are not infallible.

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Beppe Grillo, the leader of the Five Star Movement, stated "The mainstream media has often spoken of [Donald Trump] in the same way they speak of our movement. Do you remember? They said that we were sexist, homophobic, demagogues, populists. They do not realize that millions of people no longer read their newspapers or watch their TVs. Trump capitalized on all this."

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• Reflecting Lithuania's history of being annexed by the Soviet Union in 1940 and her fears that "Russian president Vladimir Putin may test NATO in the weeks before Donald Trump becomes US President", and that Putin and Trump are "too close for comfort", Lithuanian foreign minister Linas Linkevicius has said that he is very afraid for the Baltic Republics (NATO members Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia), as well as for the Syrian city of Aleppo (a reference to Russia's involvement in the ongoing Battle of Aleppo in the Syrian Civil War).

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Green Party leader Jesse Klaver was most explicit in his disappointment, saying: "Oh. My. God. Trump represents a form of politics that sets people against each other instead of bringing them together; that ignores climate change instead of tackling it. He conducted a campaign full of lies, sexism and vulgar language. I worry about what that will mean for the United States and the world."

Populist politicians Geert Wilders and Jan Roos were the only ones reacting positively. Wilders wrote on Twitter "A historic victory! A revolution." He added that: "We also will give our country back to the people of the Netherlands." The day after the election, Wilders stated that "America regained its national sovereignty, its identity. It reclaimed its own democracy, that's why I called it a revolution. And I think that the people of America, as in Europe, feel insulted by all the politicians that ignore the real problems."

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Prime Minister António Costa made a brief statement when asked about the election result: "We have the habit of respecting the democratic decisions of friendly Peoples, with whom we have established relations ... We wish to maintain the excellent relationship with have had, throughout History, with the United States; our relations with the USA are centuries-old ... Portugal has had several governments, the USA have had several governments; we have relations between States, between Peoples."

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The leader of the People's Party Assunção Cristas said that "today is the day to respect the free and democratic decision of the American people, and accept the results" and underscored the need of careful consideration on the subject of opinion polls.

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Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev said: "Our position is that sanctions will remain unchanged. Irrespective of the results of elections in any country, including in one as important as the United States of America, our assumptions remain unchanged."

Duma Foreign Affairs Committee member Vyacheslav Novikov said "three minutes ago, Hillary Clinton acknowledged her defeat in the U.S. presidential elections and just a second ago, Trump began his speech as president-elect. I congratulate all of you on this." The Duma then broke into applause.

Liberal Democratic Party leader Vladimir Zhirinovsky said: "We of course regard with satisfaction that the better candidate of the two presented to the American voters was victorious." He added that he hoped the Ambassador to Russia John Tefft would leave. "We hope that this ambassador leaves Russia ... he hates Russia."

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Government spokesperson André Simonazzi said: "The Swiss government has taken note of the election results in the United States. As is customary, the Swiss president sent congratulations through diplomatic channels this morning." He added that the Swiss authorities have been in touch with the teams of both candidates for the presidency in the run-up to prepare the next steps. "Switzerland will continue to defend its interests and prepare for contact with the new administration."

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Leader of the Opposition Jeremy Corbyn gave a mixed reaction, opining that Trump's victory was the American people's reaction to failed economic policies and a distant "governing elite." However, he added that some of Trump's views used "divisive rhetoric" that was "clearly wrong."

The UK Independence Party's Nigel Farage congratulated Trump by praising his campaign and his "post-Brexit values." Farage supported Trump's candidacy throughout the general election and even spoke at a rally of his on one occasion. He met Trump in New York City on November 12 and wrote on Twitter that Trump "was relaxed and full of good ideas. I'm confident he will be a good President." He also said of Trump's support for relations between the two countries "very strong" and that he was the man the U.K. "can do business" with. Trump's campaign manager, Kellyanne Conway confirmed the meeting and said: "I think they enjoy each other's company, and they actually had a chance to talk about freedom and winning and what this all means for the world."

Mayor of London Sadiq Khan said: "I hope Donald Trump will now do everything in his power to unite people and bring divided communities back together. I wish him well."

Far-right groups Britain First, the English Defence League and the British National Party reacted positively to Trump's election win, while anti-xenophobia group Hope not Hate expressed major concerns.

First Minister of Northern Ireland Arlene Foster said she looked forward to working with his administration and said Northern Ireland has "strong historical, economic and political ties to the United States. As our largest inward investor, the U.S. plays a massive role in our economic progress." First Minister of Scotland Nicola Sturgeon, who had removed Trump from a list of business ambassadors to the country because of his stance on Islam, said that it was not the result she wanted but that the decision should be respected. First Minister of Wales Carwyn Jones did not offer congratulations in his reaction but said, in a statement, "following the most brutal and bruising election campaign in modern American history, Donald Trump will have much work to do to repair a divided nation."

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Former diplomat Colin Robertson said Clinton winning would be beneficial for Canada's because of the continuity it would offer with Obama's tenure. "We've already got a reset relationship starting in March, confirmed at the end of June when the president came up here."

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Foreign Minister Julie Bishop said that her government is ready to work with whomever the American people "in their wisdom" choose. She added that a U.S. presidential election is always a momentous occasion and in this instance, "it has been a particularly bruising, divisive and hard-fought campaign." She further said the new administration will face a number of challenges, including in the Asia-Pacific, and Australia wants to work constructively with the new administration to ensure the continued presence and leadership of the United States in the region. She said the U.S. is "our major security ally" and the largest foreign direct investor and the second-largest trading partner. "The United States is also the guarantor and defender of the rules-based international order that has underpinned so much of our economic and security issues. And interests."

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