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On Sunday, September 22, 2019, President Donald J. Trump will travel to Houston, Texas, and Wapakoneta, Ohio, to underscore the important partnerships between the United States and India, and Australia. In Houston, President Trump will participate in an event with Prime Minister Narendra Modi of India. The event, “Howdy, Modi! Shared Dreams, Bright Futures,” is expected to draw tens of thousands of people. It will be a great opportunity to emphasize the strong ties between the people of the United States and India, to reaffirm the strategic partnership between the world’s oldest and largest democracies, and to discuss ways to deepen their energy and trade relationship. President Trump will then travel to Wapakoneta, Ohio, where he will be joined by Prime Minister Scott Morrison of Australia for a tour of a new, Australian-owned manufacturing facility. This visit will demonstrate the strong trade and investment relationship between the United States and Australia and President Trump’s successful efforts to restore the United States as the world’s leading destination for foreign direct investment.
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BACKGROUND PRESS CALL
BY SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS
ON THE STATE VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER AND
MRS. MORRISON OF AUSTRALIA

Via Teleconference

3:32 P.M. EDT
The purpose of this visit is going to be highlighting the breadth and the depth of that relationship. So, the President -- in addition to what I walked you through for Friday, the President of course is also going to be traveling later on with the Prime Minister to Ohio, where we're going to be highlighting the economic side of the relationship.

And what's really extraordinary about that is, of course, from a trading standpoint, we have both a surplus in goods and a surplus in services with Australia. And the foreign direct investment that we're going to be highlighting in Wapakoneta, Ohio, is a really impressive example of what this administration's policies and Australia's commitment to the alliance have been able to produce in the industrial Midwest.
Q Hello, my name is Stephanie from Intelligent Luxury. My question is, how can U.S. companies increase tourism to Australia and conduct business with Australia's government and businesses?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: So you know, the U.S.-Australia relationship on the economic side is extraordinarily diverse and robust. And what we have -- as I mentioned earlier, from a trade standpoint, we have a great surplus in both services and goods.

The President’s trip to Ohio is going to be -- with the Prime Minister -- is going to be highlighting the foreign direct investment side in the United States. And American companies are already significant investors in Australia. We have every expectation that it’s going to continue and to grow. And it’s really -- I think one of the highlights of this whole state visit is going to be just the close economic cooperation between us and how we expect that to only continue.