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## Readout from a Treasury Spokesperson of Secretary Lew's Meeting with Japanese Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister Taro Aso at the G-20 in Ankara, Turkey

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**ANKARA** – U.S. Treasury Secretary Jacob J. Lew today met with Japanese Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister Taro Aso on the sidelines of the G-20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors Meeting.

Secretary Lew discussed key issues before the G-20 including the importance of global growth and financial stability.

Secretary Lew also discussed the importance of the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement, which will contribute to stronger and more balanced economic growth and encourage closer economic integration with Japan and throughout the TPP region. Secretary Lew stated that he was hopeful that TPP negotiations would conclude as soon as possible.

Secretary Lew discussed the need for exchange rate authorities to abide by their G-7 and G-20 commitments and remain in close contact.

Secretary Lew also spoke about the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action and emphasized that no new sanctions relief would be provided until the International Atomic Energy Agency has verified that Iran has implemented key nuclear-related measures and that sanctions related to terrorism and regional destabilization would remain in place after that.

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