



## **United States Mission to the OSCE**

### **The International Court of Justice order regarding the Lachin Corridor**

As delivered by Ambassador Michael Carpenter  
to the Permanent Council, Vienna  
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The United States notes the order of the International Court of Justice on February 22 to ensure the unimpeded movement of persons, vehicles, and cargo along the Lachin Corridor in both directions.

Secretary Blinken raised this in his engagement with Prime Minister Pashinyan and with President Aliyev in Munich on February 18. The Secretary underscored the need for free and open commercial and private transit through the Lachin Corridor, and we reiterate that today He also called on both Armenia and Azerbaijan to open other transportation routes as has been discussed.

I encourage Armenia and Azerbaijan to reconvene and make progress towards a comprehensive peace agreement. The United States will continue to work with Azerbaijan and Armenia bilaterally, multilaterally through partners such as the European Union, and through international organizations such as the OSCE to help our partners to reach a peaceful, comprehensive, and sustainable settlement. And we should look at all available OSCE tools to help in this regard.

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