On March 14, 2023 Senators Chris Van Hollen and Dan Sullivan introduced S.789, the United States Foreign Service Commemorative Coin Act. This bipartisan legislation calls on the Secretary of the Treasury to mint a coin to commemorate the upcoming 100th Anniversary of the United States Foreign Service.

Today 15,000 career Foreign Service officers comprise the federal government’s primary professional cadre charged with the conduct of U.S. diplomacy, representing the United States abroad in peace and war. Tens of thousands more represent those who have retired. In honoring this important centennial, the coin will recognize a century of Foreign Service contributions to American diplomacy, from the passage of the Rogers Act in 1924 to the first entry classes of the Foreign Service in 1925 to today. It will also commemorate the sacrifice made by 320 of its members who gave their lives while promoting American diplomacy on the front lines.

The sale of the coins will support the modernization of ADST’s foreign affairs oral history collection, its curation, and the sharing of United States diplomatic history via oral history, books, social media, and other means (https://adst.org, info@adst.org).

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!
Please add your name to S.789 by June 30, 2023 by contacting catherine_Miller-Little@vanhollen.senate.gov and Walter_Lohman@sullivan.senate.gov

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