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The team proposes to put out the following statement in Ian's name tonight. We are weighing a recommendation to put out a statement in your name tomorrow.

We commend the Honduran people for having exercised peacefully their democratic, sovereign and inalienable right to select their leaders. The apparently large and enthusiastic turnout shows that given the opportunity to express themselves, the Honduran people have viewed the election as an important part of the solution to the political crisis in their country.

We look forward to continuing to work with all Hondurans and encourage others in the Americas to follow the lead of the Honduran people in helping advance national reconciliation and the implementation of the Tegucigalpa-San Jose Accord. Significant work remains to be done to restore democratic and constitutional order in Honduras, but today the Honduran people took a necessary and important step forward.