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**REUNIÓN DEL PRESIDENTE DEL GOBIERNO, PEDRO SÁNCHEZ,  
CON EL PRESIDENTE DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE AMÉRICA,  
JOE BIDEN, EN EL DESPACHO OVAL DE LA CASA BLANCA**

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## **INTERVENCIÓN DEL PRESIDENTE DEL GOBIERNO, PEDRO SÁNCHEZ**

R: Absolutely.

Well, thank you very much.

And thank you, President Biden, for (...) I think it's a great pleasure because I see you as a reference in the defense of democracy, as many citizens around the world would have never imagined that democracy would be under threat precisely here in Washington, in the US.

But your commitment with the democratic values is an example to everyone.

And, in this context, I do believe that Spain and the United States, we (...) we share common values, and our bilateral relations are excellent.

We are allies, friends, and also strategic partners.

And I would like to touch upon for topics that we will discuss today.

The first one is on Russia's aggressions in Ukraine.

I do believe that the transatlantic bond and the unity among allies remain rock solid, President. We support Ukraine.

Of course, we work for a lasting and just peace that respects fully the international law and also the principles of the UN Charter.

Make no mistake, in this war there is an aggressor and a victim, and the aggressor is President Putin.

So this will be the first topic.

The second topic is how our governments, the US administration, and also the Spanish government, we put in the center of our political priorities and the benefit to (...) to our middle and working classes, the green transition and the digital transformation.

I would propose, President Biden, that we can work together to have the best success of COP 28 later this year.

And also that we could work together, together with the European Union in order to regulate the artificial intelligence to reach a highest level of standards at the global (...) at the global level.



The third point would be, as President Biden said, the presidency of the Council of the European Union.

We are very ambitious, President.

We have many goals, but I would like to highlight two, which I think would be very important in the second semester of the year.

The first one is how do we reindustrialize the European union together with you, with the US economy, and also how do we, as Europeans, strengthen our bilateral cooperation with Latin America, which is a part of the world, the region where Spain and the US, we have common interests about democracy, prosperity and a safe, regular and orderly migration pathways.

And last, but not least, of course, we will talk about our bilateral relations, which I think are excellent on defense, as President Biden said, but also on science, trade, investments.

We also are going to sign agreements to work together at the multilateral level in order to (...) to boost gender equality, LGBT rights, and also climate change, to name a few.

So, President Biden, I do believe that the world needs a US President that is committed to fighting the good fight like you do, and you can count on Spain in that endeavor.

So let's keep on doing this year.

R: Thank you.

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