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**AMPLIFYING VOICES OF THE DIASPORA: BPIA GIVES BLACK PERSPECTIVES ON FOREIGN POLICY IN GLOBAL TAKE PODCAST**

**WASHINGTON, DC (April 28 , 2021)**: Black Professionals of International Affairs announced today that it is launching a new and exciting podcast, Global Take, a podcast aiming to showcase the expertise of members of the African diaspora in the field of foreign policy.

Listeners will get diverse perspectives on critical global issues and viewpoints on pressing topics. Will Black Lives Matter and the George Floyd protest impact US success to promote democracy abroad? How will America compete against China across the African continent in terms of political influence and business? Will President Biden’s push for a diverse Foreign Service at the State Department translate into dismantling systemic racism in U.S. foreign relations?

**“(Quote from Amb. Stanfield),” says Amb. (ret.) Sylvia G.-Stanfield, President of Black Professionals In International Affairs**

Podcast Co-Hosts Alexanderia Haidara and Tyler Smith give a different spin to current foreign policy discussions that often overlook issues pertaining to Black America. On Global Take, get ready to hear from an impressive list of guests of black foreign policy experts including Ambassador Bonnie Jenkins, nominee as Undersecretary for Arms Control and International Security Affairs at the State Department; Ambassador Gina Abercombrie-Winstanley Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer at the State Department; US national security expert, Charles Carithers, and others.

Global Take will also highlight a special series on the growing Blaxit Movement. Episodes will dive deep in answering why Black Americans are choosing to travel and migrate abroad. We will take you on a journey across the world as we share stories of triumphs and setbacks with educators, creatives, and entrepreneurs living abroad.

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