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Partnership for Public Service statement urging the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to advance the nomination of USAID administrator-designate Samantha Power

WASHINGTON – The nonpartisan, nonprofit Partnership for Public Service released the following statement from President and CEO Max Stier after the Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing on Samantha Power’s nomination to be administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development.

“Samantha Power is an excellent choice for administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development,” said Max Stier, president and CEO of the Partnership for Public Service. “She is a dedicated public servant who is committed to investing in the USAID workforce and addressing issues relating to diversity, equity and inclusion.”

Stier continued, “I urge the Foreign Relations Committee and the full Senate to move forward on Power’s nomination so that she can begin helping USAID confront the various challenges that threaten the stability and health of countries across the globe.”

The Partnership for Public Service’s U.S. Agency for International Development snapshot provides a wide array of data and insights regarding the department. Some key data points include:

- Number of employees: 3,173 (as of December 2020)
- 2019 Best Places to Work in the Federal Government score and rank: 65.4 out of 100, ranking 14th out of 25 midsize agencies
- Employee confidence in whistleblower protections: 65.3%, which is 0.8% higher than the government-wide score of 64.5%
- Number of positions requiring Senate confirmation: 14

The Partnership produces and maintains several other resources to assess and analyze the health of the federal government. These include a political appointments tracker with The Washington Post to follow the progress of nearly 800 of President Biden’s Senate-confirmed political appointments, and the annual Best Places to Work in the Federal Government® rankings, produced by the Partnership and Boston Consulting Group, which measure employee engagement government-wide as well as at individual departments, agencies and subcomponents.

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