"In 2008 earnest 15-year old Comorian immigrants in gritty Marseille neighborhoods would ask me, 'Does Obama really have a chance?' and I realized they were as personally invested in that historic election as any American."
Professor Philip Breeden, "Presidential Rhetoric is damaging the U.S. Abroad," Tulsa World

Chers Etudiants,
Je suppose que vous avez déjà eu quelques conversations avec vos collègues et avec vos familles d'accueil sur la campagne électorale aux Etats-unis. Pour ces Américains qui habitent depuis longtemps à l'étranger, c'est tout à fait normal que le reste du monde regarde et pose des questions sur l'élection américaine. As you have heard from many of us before, don't be surprised if the average European you meet has a fairly broad idea of what's going on in the US and what the latest comments are coming from Donald Trump. We invite you to read the following article click here from Professor Breeden as it highlights a phenomenon that many Americans have experienced and will continue to experience. Most importantly, the article highlights the responsibility that US voters have to engage in the political process, to become informed citizens and to take control of their political fortunes. Those American students abroad have all felt at some time or another the impact that their country has had on people elsewhere and certainly felt how much their country’s reputation matters. It's time to take hold of that reputation.

Best to all,
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Lectures:
Thursday, April 7 - 7:00pm, CEF, Main Hall
How does the European Union Affect us in the South of France?
M. Andrew Klom, Regional Director, European Commission in Marseille