

# Togo National Day Special

## Peaceful results key to foreign policy

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On this auspicious day of the celebration of the 63rd anniversary of the accession of the Republic of Togo to international sovereignty, it gives me great pleasure to express my deep-

est gratitude to the enlightened leadership of Their Majesties Emperor Naruhito and Empress Masako. My gratitude goes also to His Excellency Prime Minister Fumio Kishida and his government, which spare no effort to make the stay of diplomats stationed in Japan peaceful and pleasant. My gratitude goes also to the Japanese people for their hospitality and kindness.

I take this opportunity to commend the cooperative relations between our two countries resulting, at the bilateral level, in the highly laudable actions of the Japan International Cooperation Agency in build-

ing school and health facilities, as well as road and port infrastructure, and on the multilateral front our common works in the context of the Tokyo International Conference on African Development, a platform of reflection and action for the development of Africa.

Togo has made the search for peaceful African solutions to conflict the keystone of its foreign policy. Hence our head of state continues to work on the consolidation of

peace in the West African sub-region.

Togo also works on innovations in the economic and industrial sectors to locally process raw materials and promote foreign investment. To this end, my country wants to capitalize on its port, the only deep-water facility on the West African coast, as well as on its position as a transit area for land-locked countries, to become the gateway to the West African market, leveraging 350 million consumers.



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Republic of Togo  
Faure Essozimna  
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I remain convinced that in this period following the COVID-19 pandemic, our countries will explore and realize other forms of partnership for the happiness of our peoples.

Happy Independence Day to all my compatriots and friends of Togo.

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to the People of the Republic of Togo  
on the Anniversary of  
Their Independence

*from the president and staff of*

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