Togo National Day Special

Saluting 65 years of progress and friendship

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On the occasion of the 65th anniversary of the accession of my country, Togo, to international sovereignty. I wish to express my profound gratitude to the government and people of Japan

for their unwavering support for Togo's developmental aspirations and for the excellence of the bilateral relations that so harmoniously unite our nations.

Working with the Japan International Cooperation Agency remains one of the central pillars of this fruitful partnership. Through the implementation of key projects in health, education, infrastructure and rural development, IICA continues to play a pivotal role in enhancing the living conditions of the Togolese population. I take this opportunity to commend the recent commencement of work on the Sokode bypass road, entrusted to Dai Nippon Construction, as a concrete example of our shared commitment to sustainable infrastructure.

Togo is steadily reinforcing its position as a strategic logistics and commercial hub in West Africa. Significant reforms have been undertaken to improve the business climate and attract investments, particularly in renewable energy, technology and industrial transformation. The Adetikope Industrial Platform stands as a symbol of this new industrial momentum.

Togo's diplomacy remains firmly anchored in the promotion of peace and stability across the continent. Our country's active and constructive engagement has earned recognition, notably through the appointment of H.E. Faure Essozimna Gnassingbe, president of the Republic of Togo, to mediate the crisis in Congo, following notable contributions to conflictresolution efforts in the Sahel region.

On this day of national celebration, I express the hope that the excellent bonds of friendship and cooperation between Togo and Japan will continue to grow stronger in the service of shared and sustainable progress.

In conclusion, I extend my best wishes for the success of the Osaka Expo and warmly invite the Japanese public to visit the Togo Pavilion, particularly on Aug. 19, 20 and 21, when we will celebrate Togo's Economic Day, Cultural Day and National Day.

Long live the cooperation between Togo and Japan.

Happy Independence Day to all Togolese residing in Japan and to all friends of Togo.

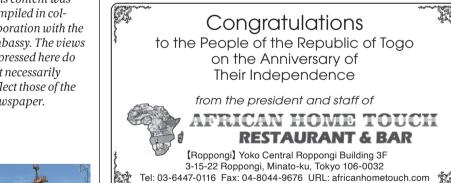


President Faure Essozimna Gnassingbe



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