

CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL DAYS OF RESIDENT DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS

1. *The celebration of national days by Resident Diplomatic Missions usually calls for a reception for the local authorities and the diplomatic and consular corps at the Head of Mission's Residence or at a reception venue.*

2. *The Mission concerned will liaise with Protocol Section for the ceremonial; including invitations, the pronouncement of toasts, etc.*

3. *Normally there are speeches on these occasions, which include an exchange of toasts.*

4. *The Director of Protocol will ensure that there is adequate representation at the event. An order of ceremony will be made available on the eve of the celebration.*

5. *General proceeding of the ceremony varies. It is recommended that the following order is respected:*
 - a. National Anthem of the Foreign State*
 - b. Toast by Head of Mission*
 - c. National Anthem of Seychelles*
 - d. Toast by the President/Minister responsible for Foreign Affairs/Government Representation*