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H.E Paul Kagame sworn in as President of Rwanda for new five-year term



President Paul Kagame was sworn in as Rwanda's Head of State on Sunday, August 11, beginning his new five-year term (2024-2029) before tens of thousands of Rwandans and international guests at Amahoro Stadium.

The inauguration ceremony, held nearly three weeks after Kagame's landslide victory in the July 14-15 elections, saw the President securing over 99 percent of the votes cast.

The 45,000-seat stadium was filled to capacity, with attendees including Rwandans from across the country and leaders from various countries who included 22 Heads of State, four Vice Presidents, two Prime Ministers, one Deputy Prime Minister, two Speakers of Parliament, and five leaders of international and regional organizations.

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UAE President congratulates Rwandan President on re-election



President His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan extended his congratulations in a phone call to His Excellency Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda, on the occasion of his re-election for a new presidential term following recent elections.

His Highness the President expressed his best wishes for President Paul Kagame's success in leading his nation and fulfilling the aspirations of his people for development and prosperity.

During the call, His Highness also underscored his commitment to continue working with President Kagame in the coming period to strengthen UAE-Rwandan cooperation at various levels, benefiting both nations. In response, His Excellency the Rwandan President thanked His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan for his congratulations and the kind sentiments expressed towards his country and people. He wished the UAE continued progress and prosperity and affirmed his commitment to fostering cooperation between the UAE and Rwanda to achieve their mutual interests.

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Minister Nduhungirehe meets with his UAE counterpart



On the sidelines of #UNGA79, Minister Olivier J.P. Nduhungirehe met with H.H. Sheikh Abdullah Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates. They exchanged views on boosting bilateral ties between Rwanda and the UAE.

The Award for "Best Distinguished Government Official" presented to Minister Ines Mpambara



On September 5th, Minister Ines Mpambara, from the Prime Minister's Office, was honored with the "Best Distinguished Government Official" award. The accolade was presented to Ambassador John Mirenge, following her nomination by the Government Experience Exchange Program at the Sharjah Government Communication Forum.

Amb. John Mirenge Presents Credentials to the King of Bahrain



On 13th August in Manama, Ambassador John Mirenge presented to HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, his credentials as Rwanda's Non-Resident Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain. The Ambassador conveyed greetings from H.E President Paul Kagame and his desire to strengthen bilateral ties between Rwanda and Bahrain.

Rwanda and the Kingdom of Bahrain enjoy good relations. Both countries established diplomatic ties on 2nd March 1998. Potential areas of collaboration include Trade and Investment, Tourism, Financial services, Energy, Technology, Entrepreneurship and Innovation.

Both Rwanda and Bahrain look forward to deepening their cooperation across sectors, leveraging each country's strengths to drive mutual growth and prosperity.

Amb. Mirenge Meets the DG for International Cooperation at Bahrain's MOFA to Strengthen Bilateral Ties



During his visit to Bahrain, Amb. John Mirenge met with H.E. Amb. Fatima Abdulla Fares Aldhaen, Director General for International Cooperation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Bahrain. They exchanged on areas of common interest and agreed to further enhance cooperation between the two friendly countries.

Amb. John Mirenge Meets Bahrain Chamber Chairman



On 14 August 2024, Ambassador John Mirenge met with the Chairman of Bahrain Chamber, H.E. Sameer Nass, and board members. They agreed that chambers of both countries will cooperate with a view to strengthen trade and business ties between the two friendly countries.

Rwandans in UAE Celebrate 30 Years of Liberation



Abu Dhabi, 25 July 2024 – The Rwandan Embassy in the United Arab Emirates hosted a vibrant National Day celebration to mark the 30th anniversary of Rwanda's Liberation. The event brought together distinguished guests, including Government officials, members of the Diplomatic Corps, friends of Rwanda, and the Rwandan community in the UAE, to honor this significant milestone.

Abdulahman Al Hebsi, the Director of the African Affairs Department at the UAE Ministry of Foreign Affairs, represented the UAE government at the event which attracted over 450 attendees.

In his address, the Ambassador of Rwanda to the UAE, H.E John Mirenge highlighted the significance of this year's celebration which coincides with three decades of transformation post-liberation and the re-election of President Paul Kagame. The Ambassador noted that President Kagame's overwhelming victory is a testament to the trust and confidence of the Rwandan people in his wise leadership and clear vision for Rwanda.

Ambassador John Mirenge underscored that Rwanda's Liberation struggle was founded on the right cause of restoring dignity and rebuilding a country all Rwandans can call home. He noted that this was necessary because the two post-independence governments perpetuated the divisionism initiated during the colonial era.

The Ambassador reflected on Rwanda's journey over the past three decades, rising from the ashes of the 1994 genocide to become a united, safe, and prosperous nation. He commended the heroic men and women led by H.E. President Paul Kagame, who stopped the genocide against the Tutsi, liberated the country from evil, and inspired Rwanda's remarkable rebirth.

"From the period of death, destruction and darkness, Rwanda has over these three decades, been able to arise from that horror and gone through a healing process leading to unbelievable transformation. As some of you may know, Rwanda was almost written off in 1994. Thirty years later, Rwandans have built a united, safe, secure, prosperous, and open country, with an ambitious future," said Ambassador Mirenge.

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Amb. Mirenge signs with Skyline University College an MOU on scholarships



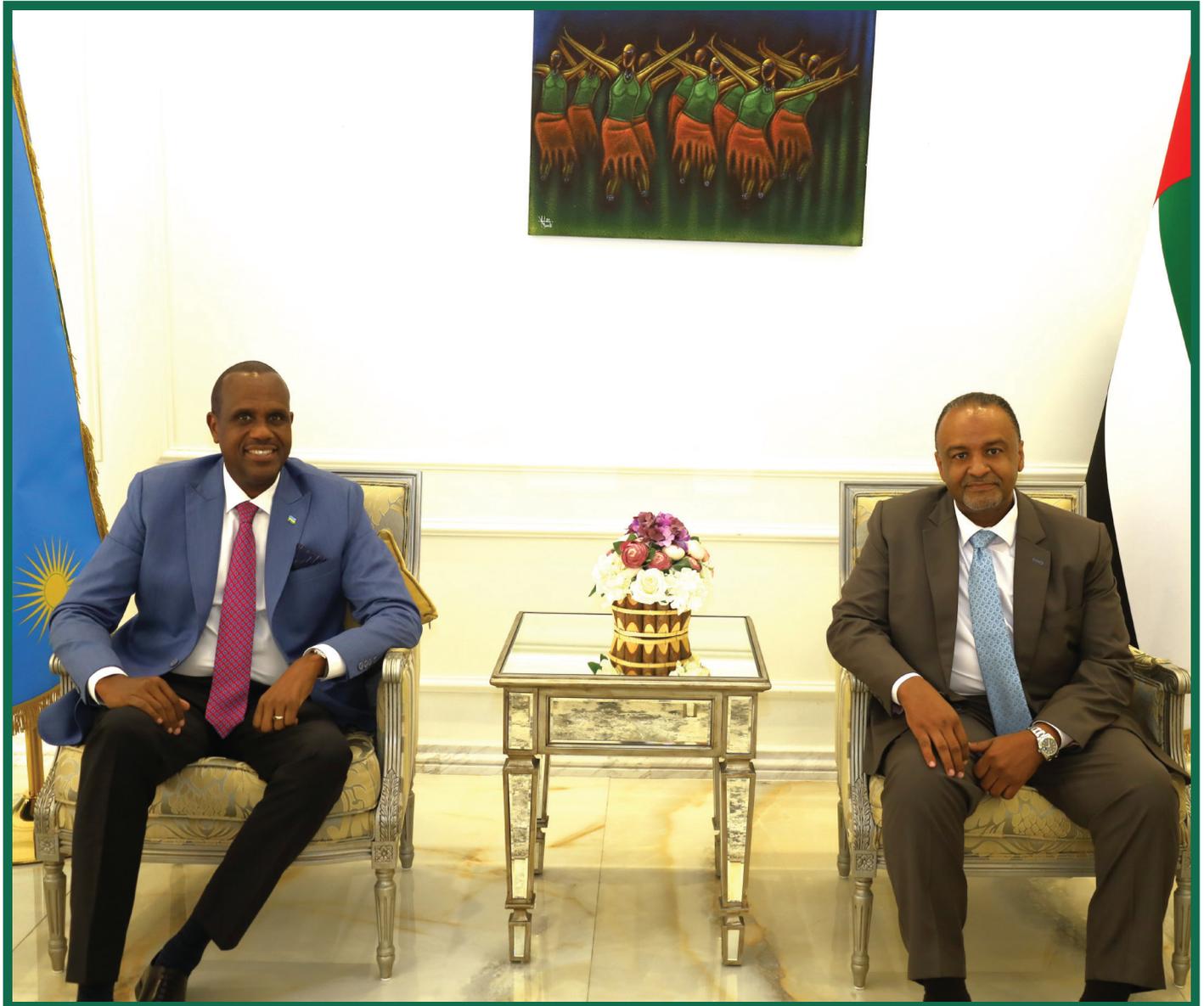
On 30th September at the Future Hospitality Summit in Dubai, Amb. John Mirenge signed a scholarship agreement with Professor Mohammad In'airat, Vice Chancellor of Skyline University College, aimed at providing scholarships for Rwandan students.

Amb. Mirenge meets with the Head of the UAE Cyber Security Council



On 20th September, Amb. John Mirenge met with H.E. Dr. Mohamed Al Kuwaiti, Head of the UAE Cyber Security Council. Their discussion focused on strengthening bilateral cooperation in cyber security between Rwanda and the UAE.

Amb. Mirenge discusses investment opportunities with Group International CEO of Reportage Properties



On 24 September 2024, Amb. John Mirenge held a meeting with Mr. Moawia Sharfi, Group International CEO of Reportage Properties, one of the UAE-based key developers with investments in the Middle East and Africa. The discussions centered on investment opportunities in real estate in Rwanda.

RCA-UAE committed to Rwanda's socio-economic transformation



On 08th September in Dubai, Amb. John Mirenge along with Sandrine Uwimbabazi Maziyaiteke, Director of RCA at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Engaged with the Rwandan Community in the UAE on their role in Rwanda's socio-economic transformation. In the same meeting, a new RCA committee in the UAE was elected.

Minister Counsellor Bizumuremyi meets the Rwandan Community in Bahrain



On 14 August, Minister Counsellor Edouard Bizumuremyi met with about 15 Rwandans living in the Kingdom of Bahrain. They exchanged on their contribution to national progress and elected the Chairman of the RCA-Bahrain.

Minister Counsellor and Second Counsellor paid a visit to RAK Chamber of Commerce



Minister Counsellor Edouard Bizumuremyi and Second Counsellor Ines Mutoni were received by Dr. Ahmed Rasher Alshemeili Ag. DG of RAK Chambers. They discussed expanding the existing cooperation and growing business exchanges between RAK business community and Rwanda.

Minister Counsellor and the Second Counsellor paid a visit to Meydan Free Zone



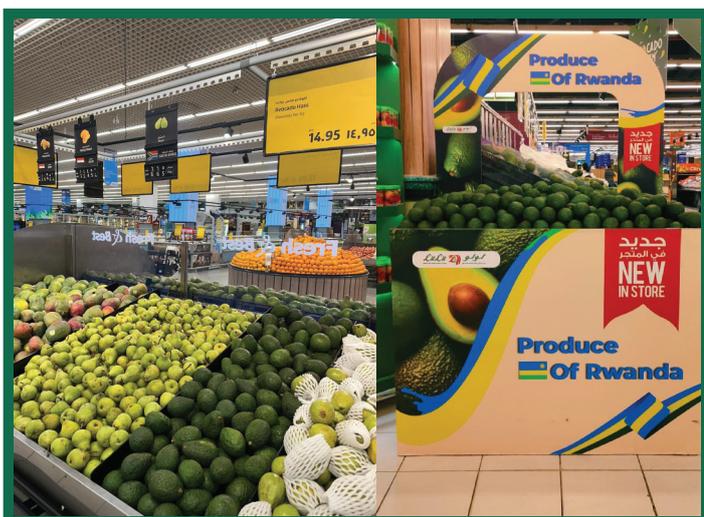
Minister Counsellor Edouard Bizumuremyi and Second Counsellor Ines Mutoni visited the Meydan Free Zone offices, where they met with Mr. Mohammed bin Humaidan, Director of Meydan Free Zone. Discussions centered on enhancing support for Rwandan investors, with a focus on licensing assistance and access to comprehensive business services.

Lulu Hypermarket to stock Rwandan avocados in UAE, Bahrain and KSA



On August 21, the Trade Officer Noor Ahmed along with a Garden Fresh delegate paid a visit to Lulu Hypermarket and met with Mr. Zulfikar the head of fruits and vegetables. They discussed enhancing the partnership to boost Rwandan fresh produce in the UAE and GCC markets.

Rwandan Fresh Hass Avocado now available at GCC Lulu Hypermarket



We are excited to announce the first shipment of Rwandan Fresh Hass Avocado to Lulu Hypermarket, marking a significant milestone in our journey to bring high-quality, fresh produce to the GCC market. The fresh avocados are now available at Lulu outlets in Bahrain and Saudi Arabia.

This launch not only highlights our commitment to providing exceptional fresh produce but also sets the stage for future offerings. We are exploring the presence of other delicious products, such as passion fruit, chilies, and various vegetables, enhancing the variety available to the market. Join us in celebrating this exciting addition to the GCC market and the unique taste of Rwanda Fresh!

Information note for passengers departing from Rwanda



INFORMATION NOTE FOR PASSENGERS DEPARTING FROM RWANDA

As part of public health measures to prevent the spread of Marburg Virus Disease (MVD) and in line with the Travel Advisory issued recently, the following is mandatory upon departing from Rwanda, effective immediately:

DEPARTURE

- a. Travelers should monitor for MVD symptoms including fever, severe headaches, muscle ache, vomiting and diarrhoea, before departing from Rwanda and seek medical advice immediately if they experience these symptoms.
- b. Expect routine temperature checks using Thermo-Scan Cameras, and the use of hand sanitizing stations.
- c. All passengers exiting the country will be asked to answer a short symptom-screening questionnaire with RBC staff to ensure their well-being and the safety of others

REMINDER

Rwanda's proven ability to manage public health challenges ensures a safe environment for all travelers. The country's commitment to scientific and evidence-based responses, as demonstrated during the Covid-19 pandemic, remains a priority in safeguarding the well-being of everyone in Rwanda.

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Once again, we thank you for your cooperation in the fight against MVD.