



Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade.



FROM: The Honourable Minister, Jeremiah Manele, Permanent Secretary, Collin Beck, Heads of overseas missions and their staff and the Staff of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade.

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TO: His Excellency, the Governor General, Sir David Vunagi, the Prime Minister Honourable Manasseh Sogavare, Members of Parliament, Public servants, Provincial Governments, Business Houses, Statutory Bodies, Non-Government Organizations, Church Leaders, Chiefs, Community Leaders, Women Groups, Youth Groups, People with disabilities and all the people of Solomon Islands.

Congratulations Solomon Islands on reaching 45 years of Independence

We offer our sincere greetings to the Government and people of Solomon Islands as we celebrate our status as a sovereign nation every July 7th in our calendar since 1978.

The theme "Rising Above and Overcoming our Challenges as one People" continues to be a constant reminder of our 45 year journey and should be a theme reflective of our journey ahead.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade's core mandate is to promote, advance and defend the country's foreign policy goals and objectives which are premised on building and maintaining mutually beneficial international relations and economic ties with diplomatic partners both bilateral and multilateral levels.

We will continue to promote and protect the values, interests and well-being of Solomon Islands and its citizens through international diplomacy and cooperation.



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