

National Day of Mozambique

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Mozambique fetes Independence Day with confidence about future

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Ambassador of Mozambique

Today, June 25, marks the 46th anniversary of the Republic of Mozambique. On this auspicious occasion, I have the honor, on behalf of the Government and People of Mozambique and the Mozambican Community residing in Japan, to extend our warmest and best wishes to Their Imperial Majesties, Emperor Naruhito and Empress Masako, to Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga, and to the Government and People of Japan.



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As we celebrate Mozambique's independence, we pay tribute to the founders of our nationality, who fought heroically for our independence. We take pride in their achievements, cherish the accomplishments of the present and reaffirm our determination for the future, working for the socioeconomic development of the country.

After 46 years, the Republic of Mozambique is facing the future with confidence, continuing its path to development, improving the lives of its people, strengthening its institutions and maturing as a democrat-

ic nation. To ensure sustainable socioeconomic development, the government has chosen the maintenance and consolidation of peace and stability as a central priority of its actions and identified employment creation, poverty reduction and greater economic competitiveness as important measures to achieve inclusive development that benefits the entire population.

However, while following this path, it has been victim to terrorist activities and violent extremism in some districts of the northern province of Cabo Delgado, with significant so-

cial and economic consequences. Friendly countries and the international community have shown their solidarity with the Government of Mozambique and to its people, combining efforts to contain and eradicate these subversive and criminal activities with other interventions aimed at promoting development and prosperity, contributing to the triumph of the ideals of peace, security, stability and development.

Japan has been a reliable and strategic development partner for Mozambique for more than 44 years, with a comprehensive program of co-

operation with important development initiatives and strategic investments. The bilateral relations are strong as the successful visit to Mozambique from Dec. 9 to 10, 2020, of Mr. Toshimitsu Motegi, Minister for Foreign Affairs, has

demonstrated. We are committed to building a firm, stable and long-term strategic relationship with Japan, bringing more prosperity to existing partnerships with increased investment and growth in trade relations. Finally, I wish to express deep

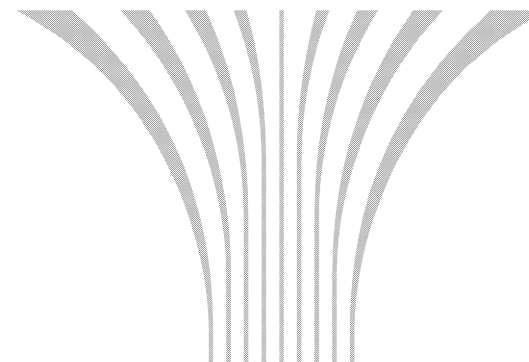
gratitude to our corporate partners and The Japan News for their sponsorship and publication of this message. To my fellow compatriots, I extend congratulations on the occasion of the 46th anniversary of the independence of Mozambique.



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An aerial view of Maputo, the capital of Mozambique

**Our Warmest
Congratulations
on the Anniversary of
the Independence of
the Republic of Mozambique**



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