

Togo National Day

Hillary Rodham Clinton Secretary of State
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On behalf President Obama and the people of the United States, I am delighted to send best wishes to the people of Togo as you celebrate the 52nd anniversary of your independence this April 27th.

Earlier this year I had the pleasure of visiting Togo to see firsthand how our two countries partner together to promote democracy, good governance, and economic development. Togo has held two peaceful elections declared credible by international observers and we look forward to continuing our work with you to consolidate democratic gains and economic growth, especially as you prepare for your elections later this year.

We congratulate Togo on its seat at the United Nations Security Council. We hope to continue to work with Togo to advance issues of mutual importance, from maritime security and piracy to economic development and regional trade. As you celebrate your National Day know that the United States is your partner and friend, and we are committed to a brighter future for all Togolese.