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SUBJECT: Performance Report on Fiscal Year 2007 for Mauritius and Seychelles

On behalf of U.S. Embassy Port Louis, I am pleased to submit the FY 07 Performance Plans for Mauritius and Seychelles. I hereby certify that I endorse the division of resources between Program Elements and USG Agencies across the portfolio, as well as the allocation of budget to Program Sub-Elements and the validity of the performance data.

Post's central mission is to help develop politically and economically healthy partners for the U.S. on a range of global issues, including the war on terror. In the accompanying documents, we have taken great care to accurately reflect the use of foreign aid funds for FY 2007, as assigned by Core Teams in F, to our partners in support of this mission. Both Mauritius and Seychelles, although small, are key partners and play substantial roles in the Indian Ocean theater. As such, it is critical that the two countries, which are considered sustaining partnership countries, are given adequate funding and support and that their contributions in the global arena are recognized.

Embassy Port Louis has led and will continue to lead an aggressive USG effort to build anti-terrorism capacity through the use of public and private diplomacy, law enforcement training, and cooperative programs with the U.S. military. Our respective performance plans for FY 2007 reflect the programs carried out with IMET and NADR funding in both Mauritius and Seychelles in support of these goals.

The United States Government trained nearly two hundred professionals in Mauritius and Seychelles in the past year, and the benefits of these trainings will be enjoyed for years to come as both countries enjoy a vigorous "train the trainer" model, which will allow them to build capacity within their own organizations.

In addition to the successes, I wish to highlight the fact that there is much other United States Government aid that is not reflected through the F process and the Operational Plans. In order to portray an accurate picture, I can elaborate on a few expamples here:

- The Office of Technical Assistance of the U.S. Treasury (OTA) has programmed a series of trainings in Mauritius and Seychelles in 2007, valued at over $200,000, which support economic growth and strengthening the rule of law in Mauritius. In Seychelles, OTA

launched training programs to empower the new Financial Intelligence Unit and to strengthen the government's anti-money laundering capabilities. These programs will continue into FY 09. OTA also has one resident and several itinerant advisors working in Seychelles and Mauritius. Their contributions in terms of capacity building allow us to meet transformational diplomacy goals on a daily basis however the assistance provided by these experts is not quantified anywhere in the Operational Plan or Performance Reports.

- We sent both Mauritian and Seychelles personnel to ILEA Gaborone for separate courses in land border interdiction, small arms trafficking, fraudulent document detection, criminal investigation, law enforcement executive development, and personnel and facility security. In total, 28 host nation employees were trained at ILEA Botswana.

- Post sent thirteen officers to the ILEA's Advanced Management Course, in Roswell, New Mexico where they were instructed by various federal, state and local law enforcement personnel. This program was sponsored by INL/C/CJ.

- In addition to the two ATA courses whose funding was reflected in the F process, ATA hosted two additional courses at ILEA in Gaborone. During the Police Executives' Role in Combating Terror course, we trained a total of sixteen high ranking police officers from both Mauritius and Seychelles. Further, ATA conducted fraudulent document training for five officers.

- The ATA and the FBI collaborated to bring two Mauritian forensic scientists to Quantico for training and to explore the possibility of providing FBI equipment to the Government of Mauritius and its national forensic lab in the future.

- DHRF funding for Mauritius totaled $25,000, and supported projects spanning from prevention of HIV and AIDs to support of a diversity-promoting NGO to a rehabilitation program for street youth, to a an NGO focusing on adolescent social and health problems. Strengthening communities helps the USG to build strong partners.

- Entities in Seychelles received $20,000 in FY 2007 via DHRF funding for support of a women's organization as well as an HIV/AIDs prevention project at the community level. Again, by working to strengthening communities, we can build strong relationships with these key countries.

- CJTF-HOA sponsored a full-time Liaison Officer from the Seychelles Coast Guard on its staff at Camp Lemonier, Djibouti. This individual is a graduate of the U.S. Naval War College. By involving him in planning at HOA at the highest levels, we are helping to prepare him to return to Seychelles and be an advocate for USG interests.

- CJTF-HOA and the Embassy's Public Diplomacy section sponsored a Maritime Security Seminar. Forty Seychelles government officials were trained by a visiting Naval War College professor during the seminar.

- U.S. Navy Seabees refurbished the Baie St. Anne Hospital Morgue on the island of Praslin, Seychelles. The renovations are valued at approximately $75,000. They also refurbished the Anse La Blague Clinic on the same island, a project costing over $25,000. And finally, the Logan Seawall on the island of La Digue, Seychelles, was rebuilt, at a cost of over $140,000. These projects were carried out by the Seabees under the direction of Civil Affairs teams from CJTF-HOA and dramatically increased our visibility in Seychelles.

Although this list is not exhaustive, I believe it provides a good snapshot of the USG assistance provided in the region. As you can see, not only are we proud of the accomplishments gained through use of the F process funding, but we have many more success stories to share.

The Operating Unit is pleased with the achievements for FY 2007 and hopes to continue to build upon them in subsequent cycles. We look forward to having an opportunity to include all assistance currently being deployed in Seychelles and Mauritius so that future Operational Plans and Performance Reports truly provide an accurate report of all the positive and tremendous work done by this Post, and by the United States Government generally, in support of transformational diplomacy in Mauritius and the Seychelles.

Acronyms

ATA	State Department's Anti Terrorism Assistance Program
CJTF-HOA	Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa
DILLS	Defense Institute of International Legal Studies
DIMO	Defense Institute for Medical Operations
IMOC	International Military Officer Course
KUSLO	Kenya U.S. Liaison Office
MTT	Mobile Training Team
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SPDF	Seychelles' Peoples' Defense Force

Seychelles 2007 Performance Report

Operating Unit Performance Summary

Seychelles has long been of strategic value to the U.S. military. Embassy Port Louis directs its transformational diplomacy efforts in Seychelles at sustaining the government's will and ability to support the U.S. military, whether for anti-piracy and anti-terror activities off the coast of Somalia or the dozen R and R ship visits that occur each year. The Embassy works in conjunction with the Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa (CJTF-HOA) to reach these goals. CJTF-HOA has conducted a vigorous program to build allies in the war on terror and reduce the possibility of terrorists or their ideology taking root. It has and will continue to refurbish public facilities, organize community relations activities between sailors and Seychelles citizens, and involve Seychelles officials in trainings and conferences. These high-profile events provide excellent public diplomacy opportunities and allow the Mission to further leverage USG support in order to meet our goals.

During FY 2007, funding provided for two programs in Seychelles. Five officers from the Seychelles military attended training in CONUS. Sixteen Seychelles officials were trained in maritime crisis management.

On numerous occasions, Seychelles demonstrated its strong support for our efforts in the war on terror and to fight piracy off the Somali coast. Some of this support is directly attributable to the active engagement a number of USG entities and occurs as a direct result of of sustained IMET and mil-to-mil-training.

Program Area Performance \ 1 Peace & Security \ 1.3 Stabilization Operations and Security Sector Reform

The FY07 Seychelles IMET program met its primary and secondary objectives. One officer completed Naval Staff College fulfilling the Professional Military Education objective. Four other military personnel attended training to increase professionalism or skills development in areas of military police, army and maritime officer, and healthcare. The SPDF is very supportive of the IMET program both in providing training requirements and student nominations in a timely manner.

A Maritime Crisis Management mobile training event was originally scheduled, but continuing resolution hampered the availability of funds. Other training meeting IMET objectives was conducted in its place later in the year. A site survey was conducted to support Military Police mobile training in FY08.

Program Element Performance \ 1 Peace & Security \ 1.3 Stabilization Operations and Security Sector Reform \ 1.3.6 Defense, Military, and Border Restructuring, Reform and Operations

The FY07 Seychelles IMET program met its primary and secondary objectives however not through the exclusive use of IMET funding.

Using IMET funding, one officer from the Seychelles military attended Naval Staff College training.

A Maritime Crisis Management mobile training event was originally scheduled, but the continuing resolution hampered the availability of IMET funds. Instead, regional Defense Combating Terrorism Fellowship Program funds were utilized to fund a Maritime Crisis Management Mobile Training Team program. The two-week event, which took place in march 2007, trained 16 students from Seychelles Police, Fire Service, Ministry of Health, Transport Security Div, Port Authority, and Seychelles Coast Guard.

The Defense Combating Terrorism Fellowship Program funds were also employed to fund the participation of one SPDF military officer in the Civil-Military Responses to Terrorism Course at the Center for Civil Military Relations, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California.

The IMET objectives in the area of defense and military reform were met, however using alternate means.

Element Indicator Narrative \ 1 Peace & Security \ 1.3 Stabilization Operations and Security Sector Reform \ 1.3.6 Defense, Military, and Border Restructuring, Reform and Operations

Numbers reflect training carried out via IMET funding. Actual numbers of trainees was higher but the training was carried out with other USG funding.

Key Issue Performance \ Counter Terrorism

The U.S. Embassy in Port Louis, along with military partners at the Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa (CJTF-HOA) and the U.S. Liaison Office - Kenya (KUSLO), work in conjunction to build allies in the war on terror and reduce the possibility of terrorists or their ideology taking root in the entire Indian Ocean theater. We have collaborated on projects in Seychelles to refurbish public facilities, organize community relations activities between sailors and Seychelles citizens, and involve Seychelles officials in trainings and conferences. These high-profile events provide excellent public diplomacy opportunities and support the Mission\'s overall transformational diplomacy goals.

Many USG activities hosted in Seychelles during FY07 were crucial in addressing counter-terrorism issues and in strengthening Seychelles\' ability to become both a stronger partner with the USG and a leader in counter terrorism efforts in the Indian Ocean. Given the large number of ship visits hosted by Seychelles each year, strengthening Seychelles\' capacity in this area is crucial to the security of U.S. vessels.

1 Peace & Security - Seychelles

1.3 Stabilization Operations and Security Sector Reform\1.3.6 Defense, Military, and Border Restructuring, Reform and

Number of Border Security officers trained with USG assistance

2006 *	FY 2007 Target	FY 2007 Actual	2008 Original Target	2008 Revised Target
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1.3 Stabilization Operations and Security Sector Reform\1.3.6 Defense, Military, and Border Restructuring, Reform and

Number of border security upgrades or systems installed with USG assistance

2006 *	FY 2007 Target	FY 2007 Actual	2008 Original Target	2008 Revised Target
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1.3 Stabilization Operations and Security Sector Reform\1.3.6 Defense, Military, and Border Restructuring, Reform and

Number of host country military personnel trained to maintain territorial integrity

2006 *	FY 2007 Target	FY 2007 Actual	2008 Original Target	2008 Revised Target
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1.3 Stabilization Operations and Security Sector Reform\1.3.6 Defense, Military, and Border Restructuring, Reform and

Number of joint operations conducted with USG assistance

2006 *	FY 2007 Target	FY 2007 Actual	2008 Original Target	2008 Revised Target
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1.3 Stabilization Operations and Security Sector Reform\1.3.6 Defense, Military, and Border Restructuring, Reform and

Number of US trained personnel at national leadership levels

2006 *	FY 2007 Target	FY 2007 Actual	2008 Original Target	2008 Revised Target
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1.3 Stabilization Operations and Security Sector Reform\1.3.6 Defense, Military, and Border Restructuring, Reform and

Percent of US recommended military training need met during the year

2006 *	FY 2007 Target	FY 2007 Actual	2008 Original Target	2008 Revised Target
-	-	100	-	100

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