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PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS TO THE ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR AFRICA (ECA)

The newly appointed Ambassador of Madagascar to Ethiopia, H.E. Mr. Jean de Lacroix Bakoniarivo, presented today his credentials to Mr. Makha D. Sarr, Acting Executive Secretary during a ceremony at Africa Hall.

In a brief statement made at the ceremony, H.E. Ambassador Bakoniarivo pointed out that by accrediting him to follow-up the activities of ECA, the government of Madagascar is demonstrating the great importance it attaches to the mission of the Commission and its role in African development.

He emphasized that he will exert every effort to strengthen the good existing relations between ECA and Madagascar during his mandate here.

Replying to the Ambassador, Mr. Makha D. Sarr, Acting Executive Secretary welcomed H.E. Mr. Bakoniarivo to Africa Hall and expressed the Commission's appreciation for the constructive role played by Madagascar in the history of ECA.

He appreciated the support of the government of Madagascar which is manifested in many ways: by attending regularly meetings and taking part in workshops organized by ECA.

Mr. M.D. Sarr also noted that the nationals of Madagascar constituted excellent staff members to ECA.

He concluded by thanking the Ambassador for the present visit and promised to work closely with the government of Madagascar and its embassy in Addis Ababa.
