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Subject: Accreditations

– Appointment of H.E. Ms Vilma Kathleen McNISH as the Head of Mission of Jamaica to the European Union to replace H.E. Mrs Marcia-Yvette Gilbert-Roberts.

With reference to the procedure agreed by exchange of letters on 3 and 9 November 1966, you are hereby informed that the Government of Jamaica intends to appoint H.E. Ms Vilma Kathleen McNISH as Head of Mission to the European Union to replace H.E. Mrs Marcia-Yvette Gilbert-Roberts.

- Your tacit agreement will be assumed on **7 June 2012** unless you make specific objections by that date.

Please find attached a copy of the note verbale sent to the Commission by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Jamaica and the curriculum vitae of H.E. Ms Vilma Kathleen McNISH.

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Secretary-General

- note verbale
- curriculum vitae

NOTE VERBALE

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica presents its compliments to the Commission of the European Union and has the honour to inform that the Government of Jamaica proposes to appoint Ms. Vilma McNish as Head of Mission of Jamaica the European Union in succession to Mrs. Marcia Yvette Gilbert-Roberts who has retired from the Foreign Service.

The Ministry has the further honour to request the grant of Agrément of the Commission of the European Union to the proposed appointment of Ms. Vilma McNish as Head of Mission of Jamaica to the European Union.

A copy of Ms. McNish's Curriculum Vitae is enclosed.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Commission of the European Union the assurances of its highest consideration.

Curriculum Vitae
Vilma Kathleen McNish

Place of Birth: Kingston, Jamaica

Date of Birth: January 16, 1957

Education

BSc (International Relations) UWI, Mona

M.A (International Affairs) Georgetown University, Washington D.C

Professional Experience

- 2006 - Present Under-Secretary, Multilateral Affairs Division
- 2005 - 2006 Director, International Organizations Department, MFA&FT
- 2001 - 2005 Ambassador of Jamaica to Mexico with concurrent representation to Central America and High Commissioner to Belize
- 1998 - 2001 Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Jamaica to the Organization of American States
- 1995 - 1998 Deputy Director and Acting Director, Multilateral Organizations Department
- 1990 - 1995 Deputy High Commissioner and Head of Chancery
Jamaican High Commission, Ottawa
- 1988 - 1990 Assistant Director, Political Division
- 1984 - 1988 Counsellor and Head of Chancery
Embassy of Jamaica, Caracas - Political and Economic Affairs Officer
- 1982 - 1984 First Secretary
Embassy of Jamaica, Caracas
- 1978 - 1982 Administrator, Political Division
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade

Other Part time lecturer, Department of Government, University of the West Indies

Languages Fluent in Spanish, proficient in French

Special Interests

Reading, listening to classical music, youth mentoring