

## MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND LANDS

### **Speech of Hon M. A. Asraf Dulull**

#### SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION; HOUSING & WORKS; INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS; HERITAGE AND LAND INFORMATION, GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA - HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS, BA, DIPED, MLA, AND HON. MINISTER OF HOUSING AND LANDS, HON. MOHAMMED ASRAF ALLY DULULL

- Hon. Minister Michelle Roberts
- Distinguished Members of your Delegation
- Permanent Secretary and Staff of the Ministry of Housing and Lands
- Chairman, Deputy Chairman, and Members of the LAVIMS Steering Committee
- Members and friends of the Media
- Ladies and gentlemen

**This great little Conference Room** has just witnessed the signature of a Memorandum of Understanding between Hon. Minister Michelle Roberts on behalf of, and for the Government of Western Australia, and myself on behalf of, and for the Government of the Republic of Mauritius.

**Great little conference room** named after the first and eminent Minister responsible for Housing and Land Development, the late and regretted Sir Abdool Razack Mohamed. A visionary. A freedom-fighter. One of the champions of the independence of Mauritius under the illuminating and sagacious leadership and statesmanship of the Father of the Nation, the late and regretted Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam, a unique Mauritian.

The signing of the MOU has this day confirmed this **great little conference room** as a monument of the understanding, of the spirit of a meaningful and purposeful cooperation

between nations. And the relationships between Mauritius and Australia, cordial and forward-looking, have been dynamised by the MOU, and, beyond its extremely important and productive contents for the Mutual benefit of the Contracting Parties, it opens up so many other avenues of cooperation that can only give a most welcome fillip to our common wish to bring Mauritius and Australia closer, and closer together. And Australia is home for many of our citizens.

Briefly, the MOU allows the Contracting Parties to cooperate in Land Administration, Valuation and Management Information System for exclusive peaceful purposes in accordance with their respective national laws, rules and procedures in the fields of:-

- (1) technical advice;
- (2) business management advice and training;
- (3) strategic planning and priority setting;
- (4) project management;
- (5) Quality Assurance processes, audits and reporting;
- (6) Professional Work Placement Training Program (PWPTP)  
and study tours for Government of the Republic of Mauritius staff;
- (7) education and training on Land Administration and systems;
- (8) education and training on systems analysis and database  
management;
- (9) mentoring of Government of the Republic Mauritius staff by Landgate  
experts;
- (10) developing and/or tuning procedures and documentation;
- (11) specifying enhancements or additional systems;
- (12) business process and product engineering; and
- (13) organisational development, structural reform and change  
Management.

Honourable and Eminent Minister, and dear and esteemed colleague Michelle Roberts, on behalf of the Government and people of Mauritius, it gives me the greatest pleasure to convey to you personally, and to the Government of Western Australia, our

heartfelt gratitude and our recognition for having so caringly, and so thoughtfully worked towards the concretization of the MOU.

I am confident that the Federal Government of Australia will base itself on the MOU to further cement the productive and concrete relationships between our two countries.

I wish you remaining pleasant hours in our rainbow country, with our rainbow nation, and I express the hope that we shall have the pleasure of welcoming you back in Mauritius.

**Long Live Mauritius – Australia friendship.**