

# REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



## MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

### **CLOSING REMARKS BY AMB. NYIRAHABIMANA SOLINE THE MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

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Honourable Minister of Justice, Constitutional and Religious Affairs of the Republic of Mozambique,

Excellency High Commissioner of the Republic of Mozambique in Kigali,

Distinguish members of Delegation of the Republic of Mozambique,

Dear colleagues, Heads of Institutions here present,

Ladies and Gentlemen; good morning! *Bom dia*

1. Hon. Minister, I would like to first thank you for coming to Rwanda to make this great event possible and successful. As witnessed, this event is about signing of the Extradition and the Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters Agreements.
  
2. Honourable Minister, this is a result of excellent bilateral relations existing between the Government of the Republic of Rwanda and the Government of the Republic of Mozambique based on a strong political will and commitment at the highest level to maintain, strengthen and widen the bilateral cooperation in various fields.
  
3. I commend the great work done by our technical team members from both sides who have worked tirelessly on the Agreements signed today.
  
4. I hope that this visit also provided more opportunities to strengthen and expand to new areas of cooperation in different fields of Justice.
  
5. We have shared with you operations of Rwandan Justice Sector together with the digitalization of case process as an overview introduction of our Justice system. In addition, you have visited some justice sector institutions and found more on their contribution in the Justice

system. I believe that more areas of cooperation were identified during this visit.

6. I am glad for the milestone of signing the Extradition Agreement between the Republic of Rwanda and the Republic of Mozambique. This is a good beginning; Justice is a key of the people security and wellbeing; and this is the time for criminals to know that wherever they are Justice will find them, that Rwanda and Mozambique are not safe for them; and it is time that our citizens feel at peace.
7. I am equally happy of the signing of the Agreement on mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters; this Agreement will allow our investigators, prosecutors and even our courts to exchange evidence, information, documents and experts, with a view of trying persons involved in every kind of criminal conduct punishable by both countries
8. I do not doubt that the constitutional requirements for entry into force of these signed Agreements will be expedited by both sides for them to effectively be implemented in order to attain their objectives of preventing, combating, and handling crimes.
9. Honourable Minister, allow me to thank you once again for your dedication to justice which made you fly miles

to come to Kigali to have those important Agreements signed; I hope that you have a nice stay in Kigali and probably you will find time to visit around. I wish you a nice departure tomorrow. We shall return visit to your beautiful Country in the near future to strengthen our bilateral cooperation.

Honourable Minister, allow me to invite you to make your closing remarks

Thank you / Obrigada