

President Litokwa Tomeing  
Brief Remarks  
Presentation of Credentials  
H.E. Ambassador Rajeet Mitter  
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First and foremost, we must give thanks to Our Heavenly Father for life and for the good health He sees fit to bestow upon each of us.

Your Excellency, before I say a few words this afternoon, I wish to first of all welcome Your Excellency and distinguished member of your delegation to the Marshall Islands on behalf of the Marshallese people and their government.

Our bilateral relationship was established in 1997 and it is one we cherish and appreciate. India is famous world-wide; its people are innovative and hardworking; India is known for its rich culture, history, and for its abundance of natural resources, among other significant trademarks.

I wish to take this special opportunity to convey our utmost appreciation to the people and government of the Republic of India for the much needed assistance for the solar street light project here in our capital of Majuro, including scholarship assistance.

Indeed, this is a project which clearly illustrates the genuine fruits of mutual cooperation and friendship which we can realize from this union. Having said that, please convey our warmest greetings and deep appreciation to Madame President Patel, Prime Minister Singh, and the people of India.

Your Excellency, I look forward to working closely with you in the upcoming months as we seek to expand and strengthen our mutual ties.

With these few words, I accept, on behalf of the Marshallese people and their government, your Letter of Credence and Letter of Recall of your predecessor.

Once again, thank you and welcome.