

# Press Releases: The Gambia National Day

Press Statement  
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On behalf of the Government of the United States of America, I offer congratulations to the people of The Gambia on the 53rd anniversary of your country's independence on February 18, 2018.

We commend your impressive progress since the return of democracy to The Gambia. The Gambia's eligibility under the African Growth and Opportunity Act and its selection by the Millennium Challenge Corporation for a Threshold Program are endorsements of your commitment to good governance and economic development.

The United States remains committed to supporting The Gambia and its people as you strive to promote democratic principles, economic growth, and investment.

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