

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and with reference to its Note LA/COD/4 dated 29 February 2008, has the honour submit the following with the respect to the General Assembly Resolution 61/31 of December 2006 entitled "Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives":

Mauritius has so far, been spared of attacks against or violations of the protection, security and safety of Diplomatic and Consular Missions and their representatives with Diplomatic status to International Intergovernmental Organizations.

Although Mauritius remains safe for diplomats, the Mauritian Government takes very seriously its obligations and responsibilities under the Vienna Conventions on Diplomatic and Consular Relations. In this respect, security measures are regularly revised/upgraded according to the threat level perceived against those Missions and their representatives and are enforced by the Police. These include the following security measures which are taken with a view to ensuring protection, security and safety of diplomats:-

- (a) Police Officers are posted to the different Embassies and Consular Missions during working hours to provide security;
- (b) Regular mobile patrols are carried out by the different Police Units [Divisional Support Unit (DSU), Emergency Response Unit (ERS) and Criminal Investigation Division (CID)] in the vicinity of the residence of Ambassadors/High Commissioners and some with high threat level are additionally provided with armed sentries round the clock; and

(c) There are regular contacts between the Police and the Embassies and Consular Missions (some have telephones lines connected with the local Police Stations and the Police Information and Operations Room). Thus in case of any emergency, immediate Police assistance is provided.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius to a United Nations was itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United National Assurables of its highest consideration.

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