

A FEW MOMENTS FROM THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE: JUNE 20-22, 2023



JUNE 20, 2023

Meeting with the Minister of Justice. The Minister of Justice provided an update on discussions with Giaba, the revised anti-corruption law, the legal financial prosecutor's office, and commission to recover non-performing loans. The Minister also affirmed that members for the Anti-Corruption Chamber will be independent.

Meeting with the Governor of Ngazidja. The Governor raised consumer protection issues with banks, including due to non-readily available bank statements at some banks and charging high interest rates, which adversely affect female borrowers. She also expressed concerns about the young unemployed people outside Moroni despite being educated.

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Visite de courtoisie, en début d'après-midi de ce mardi 20 juin, à la Direction générale de L'ONICOR de la Représentante résidente du FMI, Madame Rima TURK, accompagnée de Monsieur Ibrahim AHAMADA, économiste du Bureau du FMI aux Comores.
Une rencontre et des échanges très prometteurs.

A collage of four photographs from a social media post. The top-left photo shows Rima Turk shaking hands with Ibrahim Ahamada. The top-right photo shows Ibrahim Ahamada shaking hands with another man in a grey suit. The bottom-left photo shows Rima Turk, Ibrahim Ahamada, and the man in the grey suit standing together. The bottom-right photo shows Rima Turk shaking hands with Ibrahim Ahamada. All photos are set against a backdrop featuring the Comoros flag and a portrait of a man in a blue suit.

Meeting with the director of the state-owned rice import company (ONICOR). ONICOR is entrusted with ensuring regular imports of rice, a staple food in Comoros. Delays in the delivery of rice shipments were experienced in 2022, which the government is trying to address to ensure adequate supply to the local market.

JUNE 21, 2023

Meeting with the Minister of Agriculture and Tourism. The Minister of Agriculture and Tourism provided an overview of the various touristic and agricultural projects in train. He also toured with the Resident Representative and the Economist the on-site constructions for agricultural projects.

[La représentante du FMI en visite sur le chantier des laboratoires de l'INRAPE | HabarizaComores.com |](#)
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JUNE 22, 2023

Meeting with the Minister for the Economy. The meeting was an opportunity to discuss the challenges faced the national rice import company, ONICOR, the July 16 meeting in Geneva for the WTO accession, and taxing cement imports.

Meeting with the Director of the state-owned electricity company (SONELEC).

The Director laid out on-going projects to ensure a better supply of electricity to the country, including assistance from the World Bank and expanding the use of solar energy to save on the use of diesel, generator degradation, and maintenance costs. The Director also elaborated on initiatives to improve the collection of electricity tariffs, including through utilizing mobile payments.