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**PRESS RELEASE**

**THREE (3) AMBASSADORS PRESENT LETTERS OF CREDENCE**

**SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES, November 24, 2021** – Saint Vincent and the Grenadines has added three (3) newly accredited Ambassadors to this country’s Diplomatic list. The accredited Ambassadors presented Letters of Credence to H.E. Dame Susan Dougan, GCMG, OBE, Governor General of St. Vincent and the Grenadines.



**H.E. Jose Manuel G. Romualdez  
Ambassador of the Republic of  
the Philippines**

H.E. Jose Manuel G. Romualdez on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 via the online platform Zoom presented Letters of Credence. Ambassador Romualdez prior to his current appointment was designated as special envoy of the Philippine President to the United States of America. He also served as a member of several Philippine business delegations visiting the United States, China, Japan and New Zealand from 1989 to 2012.

Ambassador Romualdez has extensive experience as a media practitioner and a business executive, serving as the Chief Executive Officer of Stargate Media Corporation and Publisher of People Asia Magazine (The Philippine Star affiliate).



**H.E. Wellington Bencosme,  
Ambassador Extraordinary and  
Plenipotentiary, Embassy of the  
Dominican Republic**

H. E. Wellington Bencosme on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 also via the online platform Zoom presented Letters of Credence. Ambassador Bencosme holds a MSc. Degree in Applied Economics. His previous experience as a Diplomat prior to his current post includes; Minister Counsellor, Director of Relations with the United States of America and Canada/ Advisor for Bilateral Foreign Policy at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Dominican Republic (MIREX) and Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy of the Dominican Republic, Washington, D.C., USA. Ambassador Bencosme is the author of a publication “The Dominican Republic Agricultural Sector and the Process of Trade Liberalization: A Brief reflection” (2002).



**H.E. Fernando Nogales Álvarez  
Ambassador of the Embassy of  
the Kingdom of Spain**

H. E. Fernando Nogales presented Letters of Credence on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2021 in person before the Governor General of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. Prior to his current post, Ambassador Nogales had an extensive career as a diplomat having served as Technical Advisor at the Secretariat-General for North America then Deputy Director-General for North America, Eastern Europe, Asia and the Pacific at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the European Union and Cooperation Madrid. Ambassador Nogales holds a Degree in Law and is multilingual, speaking Spanish, French and English.

Ambassador Wellington Bencosme and Ambassador Fernando Nogales Alvarez are both accredited to St. Vincent and the Grenadines with residence in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago. H.E. Jose Manuel G. Romualdez also accredited to St. Vincent and the Grenadines with residence in the United States of America

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade and by extension the Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines welcome the newly appointed Ambassadors and renew the Government's commitment in working together to strengthen the bilateral cooperation between the countries.

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