



# CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON  
AFRICAN AND CARIBBEAN  
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Chairman

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**To:** All members, Mayor's Commission of African and Caribbean Immigrant Affairs

**From:** Stanley L. Straughter, Chairman and Honorary Consul the Republic of Guinea

**Subject:** Commission Meeting, Wednesday, June 11, 2008

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Please mark your calendar for the next Commission meeting:

When: Wednesday, June 11, 2008  
Where: City Council Caucus Room  
Room 401  
Philadelphia, PA 19107  
Time: Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual ODUNDE Festival Weekend will take place on June 6, 7, and 8, 2008. I hope you have seen the final program and are making plans to attend many of the weekend's activities. I am particularly pleased that the World Bank will be making a presentation on their African Diaspora program. This initiative is designed to promote opportunities for procurements at the World Bank.

Our Commission has agreed to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Nationalities Services Center to provide legal services to immigrants and refugees as well as a range of other services. I have asked Dennis Mulligan, Esquire, to return to discuss the document and how the MOU will be implemented.

Finally, Councilwoman Jannie L. Blackwell will be discussing the Echoes of Africa program scheduled for August 23, 2008. We want to maximize the participation of the African and Caribbean community in this year's event.

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### Opening Remarks

- Stanley L. Straughter, Chairman and Honorary consul The Republic of Guinea
- Dolores Mohammed , Vice Chairman
- Honorable Jannie L. Blackwell, City Council of Philadelphia

### Introduction of Guests

- Dennis Mulligan, Esquire, Executive Director, Nationalities Service Center
- Jerome Henry, Philadelphia Multicultural Carnival Association, Saturday, June 14, 2008
- Echoes of Africa, Saturday, August 23, 2008
- 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual ODUNDE Festival Weekend

### Old Business

#### 1. Chairman's Report

- Black Woman's Conference in Brazil November 2008
- Dr. Philip Udo-Inyang – Report from AFRICOM

#### 2. Committee Reports

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- b) Art & Culture
- c) Health & Human Services
- d) Training & Economic Development
- e) Education
- f) Legal & Immigration

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