



(Upper left photo) Philippine Ambassador to South Africa Constancio R. Vingno, Jr. addresses the 114<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Proclamation of Philippine Independence held at the Philippine Embassy in Pretoria (Upper right photo and bottom photos) Guests at the Embassy celebration of the 114<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Philippine Independence enjoy traditional Filipino food such as chicken adobo, beef caldereta, and puto while celebrating the 114<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Philippine Independence.

19 June 2012 - Philippine Ambassador to South Africa Constancio R. Vingno, Jr. led the Philippine Embassy's celebration of the 114<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the proclamation of Philippine Independence on June 12 with a diplomatic reception at the Pretoria Country Club that featured a display of Philippine food items, clothing and accessories, and a mini-art exhibition featuring the works of Filipino artist Rico M. Tompong.



Ambassador and Mme. Constancio R. Vingno welcome (from left photo) Vietnam Ambassador Myint Naung and Singapore High Commissioner Bernard Baker and

Ambassador Vingno opened the reception by welcoming the members of the diplomatic corps, South African government and business representatives, and members of the Filipino community to the event.



Ambassador and Mme. Vingno greet upon their arrival (from left photo) Indonesian Commissioner Kennedy Jawan and his wife, and South African Department of International Relations and Cooperation Ambassador Francis Moloi.





Ambassador Vingno (left) and his spouse, Mme. Yoko Ramos-Vingno (right), welcome Mr. Muthotho Sigidi (center), Director-General of the South African Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs.

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Ambassador and Mme. Vingno welcome (from left photo) Republic of Korea Ambassador and the Russian Federation Mikhail Petrakov and his spouse, and Director-General of the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs.



(Left photo) Second Secretary and Consul Eric R. Aquino (3<sup>rd</sup> from left), Third Secretary (2<sup>nd</sup> left), and Embassy spouses, Mrs. Orchids Alonzo (1<sup>st</sup> from left) and Mrs. Joy Ma. The table is laden with delicacies contributed by Goldilocks. (Right photo) Visiting Filipino artist Rico M. T. (from left) and Jamaican High Commissioner Mme. Norma Taylor-Roberts (2<sup>nd</sup> from left) are seen on exhibit during the reception.



Guests at the reception enjoyed Filipino food such as chicken adobo, beef palabuto, pancit



Ambassador and Mme. Vingno with Embassy officers, staff and their family members at the reception during the 114<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Proclamation of Philippine Independence at the Pretoria Court