

Embassy of the United States Port Louis, Mauritius

PRESS RELEASE

New NCIS Agent, in U.S. Embassy, Port Louis

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As of December 13, 2010, a Force Protection Detachment (FPD) program has been established at the U.S. Embassy to Mauritius and the Seychelles. FPDs are located at many U.S. Embassies worldwide to collect, coordinate, and report current and relevant threat information that may impact transiting U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) personnel.

In the case of Mauritius and the Seychelles, the FPD is managed by Special Agent John Fencsak from the U.S. Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS), a U.S. federal law enforcement agency popularized by an American television series of the same name. The NCIS Special Agent intends to develop long-term liaison relationships with law enforcement and security agencies in both Mauritius and the Seychelles that will lead to enhanced opportunities for law enforcement agencies in both island nations to work cooperatively with NCIS to meet mutual security objectives in the region.

Since the program's inception in 2002, FPDs have contributed to a variety of force protection needs throughout the world. These contributions have saved military and civilian lives and preserved critical information essential to the continued success of the U.S. overseas operations.

Special Agent John Fencsak was commissioned a Regular Army Officer in 1987. Following his service as an Army Officer, he joined the U.S. Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS). Special Agent Fencsak has served in a variety of general criminal, counterintelligence and counterterrorism investigations positions in the U.S., Spain, and Jordan.