

## **CONDUCT OF FLAG RAISING & LOWERING CEREMONIES**

- All government offices, including national or local government units and institutions, shall henceforth observe the flag raising ceremonies every Monday morning and the flag lowering ceremony every Friday afternoon.
- These include private establishments which fly the National Flag on the flagpole in their compound.
- Primary and Secondary schools and other institutions of learning shall observe the flag ceremony as ordered by the Department of Education and/or the Commission on Higher Education.
- The observance of the flag ceremony shall be simple and dignified.
- During the flag raising ceremony, the assembly shall stand in formation facing the National Flag. At the moment the first note of the National Anthem is heard, everyone in the premises shall come to attention; moving vehicles shall stop. all persons present shall place their palms over their chest, those with hats shall uncover, while those in military, scouting, security guard, and citizens military training uniforms shall give the salute prescribed by their regulations, which salute shall be completed upon the last note of the anthem.
- The same procedure shall be observed when the National flag is passing in review or in parade.
- During the flag lowering, the National Flag shall be lowered solemnly and slowly so that the flag shall be down the mast at the sound of the last note of the National Anthem. those in the assembly shall observe the same deportment or shall observe the same behavior as for the flag raising ceremony.