

## NETHERLANDS CONTINGENT INVITES HQ NRDC-ITA TO QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

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**Solbiate Olona, 23 Apr 08. Members of HQ NRDC-ITA joined Lieutenant Colonel Bert Pellegrino and his Netherlands Colleagues in celebrating the official birthday of Her Majesty Queen Beatrix.**

An occasion that gives rise to great celebration all over the Netherlands was also enjoyed at HQ NRDC-ITA today.

The Netherlands Senior National Representative and his colleagues gathered members of HQ NRDC-ITA together to enjoy traditional Dutch liqueurs and aperitifs as well as formally toast Her Majesty.

Speaking before the toast, Colonel Pellegrino explained the background to the event and its symbolism before playing the national anthems of both the Netherlands and the host nation, Italy.

Following this official ceremony, all present were invited to sample the fine national cuisine on offer and enjoy the rest of the afternoon.

