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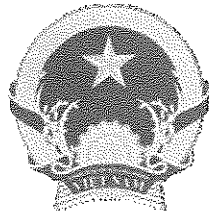
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Le 22 septembre 2014



**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**



**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE
REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI TO THE
UNITED NATIONS**

New York, 15 September 2014

Your Excellency,

We have the honor to inform Your Excellency that as of 15 September 2014, the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and the Republic of Kiribati have established diplomatic relations.

We, therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to circulate this letter and the enclosed Joint Communiqué, which we signed on behalf of our respective authorities, to all Members States of United Nations for their information.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

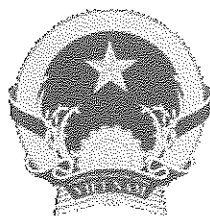
For the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

For the Republic of Kiribati

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**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ
ON
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN
THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM
AND
THE REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI**

The Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and the Government of the Republic of Kiribati,

Desiring to reinforce and to develop mutually beneficial relations and cooperation between their countries and their peoples,

Guided by the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations,

Have decided to establish diplomatic relations between the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and the Republic of Kiribati and in accordance with the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April 1961, as of the date of the signing of this Joint Communiqué,

In witness thereof, the undersigned Representatives, duly authorized by the respective Governments, have signed this Joint Communiqué in duplicate, in two original languages, Vietnamese and English, both texts being equally authentic.

Done in New York, on 15 September 2014.

On behalf of the Government of
the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

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