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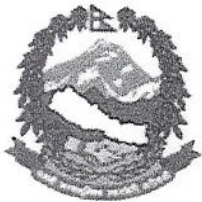
The enclosed communication, available in English, is transmitted to the permanent missions of the States Members of the United Nations at the request of the representatives of Nepal and Tuvalu to the United Nations.

17 December 2012

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La communication ci-jointe, disponible en anglais et en arabe, est transmise aux missions permanentes des Etats Membres de l'Organisation des Nations Unies à la demande des Représentants du Népal et de Tuvalu auprès de l'Organisation.

Le 17 décembre 2012



PERMANENT MISSION OF NEPAL TO THE UNITED NATIONS



PERMANENT MISSION OF TUVALU TO THE UNITED NATIONS

New York, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2012

Excellency,

We have the honor to inform you that the Government of Nepal and the Government of Tuvalu have established diplomatic relations as of today, 11 December 2012.

We would be grateful if Your Excellency could have this letter and the Joint Communiqué circulated as a document of the United Nations.

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

For the Government of Nepal

**Ms. Sewa Lamsal Adhikari**

Charge d'Affaires a.i., Minister Plenipotentiary and  
Deputy Permanent Representative of Nepal to the  
United Nations

For the Government of Tuvalu

**Mrs. Lita Pita**

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**H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon**  
Secretary-General of the United Nations  
New York



**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ**  
**ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF NEPAL AND THE GOVERNMENT OF TUVALU**

The Government of Nepal and the Government of Tuvalu,

Desirous to promote mutual understanding and strengthen friendship and cooperation between the two countries,

Guided by the principles and purposes of the United Nations Charter and International Law, particularly the respect and promotion of international peace and security, equality among States, due respect for national sovereignty and territorial integrity, independence and international treaties, and non-interference in international affairs of States,

Have decided to establish diplomatic relations at the Ambassadorial level, 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 their respective Governments, have signed this Joint Communiqué in duplicate, in English and Nepali, all equally authentic.

Done in New York, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2012

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