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3 août 2000

Permanent Mission of Belize
to the United Nations

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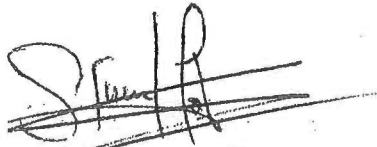
We have the honour to inform you that as from 21 July 2000, diplomatic relations have been established between Belize and Ireland. Attached is the Joint Communiqué to this effect.

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

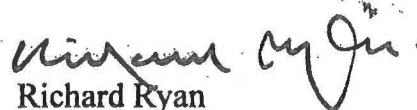
Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

For the Government of Belize

For the Government of Ireland



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Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between Ireland and Belize

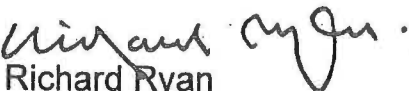
The Government of Ireland and the Government of Belize guided by a shared willingness to develop ties of friendship and cooperation in the political, economic, cultural, humanitarian and other fields, have decided to establish diplomatic relations.

The Government of Ireland and the Government of Belize hereby agree to the establishment of diplomatic relations between their two countries as of the date of this Note based on the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April 1961 and on the principles and norms of the Charter of the United Nations and of international law.


The Government of Ireland and the Government of Belize are fully convinced that the establishment of diplomatic relations corresponds to the interests of both States and will further strengthen international peace and security.

Signed at New York on 21 July 2000

For the Government of Ireland


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