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29 février 2000

**Permanent Mission of the
Republic of Mozambique
to the United Nations**

**Permanent Mission of the
Republic of Belarus
to the United Nations**

New York, February 29, 2000


Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Republic of Mozambique and the Republic of Belarus have established diplomatic relations as of today, February 29, 2000.

Therefore, we kindly request Your Excellency to have the enclosed Joint Communiqué, distributed as a United Nations document.

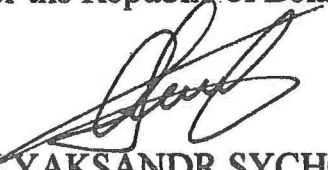
Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

For the Republic of Mozambique



**CARLOS DOS SANTOS
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and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative
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For the Republic of Belarus



**ALYAKSANDR SYCHOV
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**H.E. Mr. Kofi Annan
Secretary General of the United Nations
New York**

JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN

THE REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE AND THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS

The Republic of Mozambique and the Republic of Belarus, desiring to promote mutual understanding and strengthen the friendship and cooperation between their two peoples and states in the political, economic, social, humanitarian and other fields, have decided to establish diplomatic relations as of the date of the signing of this Joint Communiqué.

The two countries agreed to establish their diplomatic relations in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of April 18, 1961 and relevant principles, purposes and norms of the Charter of the United Nations and international law.

The Republic of Mozambique and the Republic of Belarus are fully convinced that the establishment of diplomatic relations corresponds to the interests of both States and will further strengthen international peace and security.

In witness thereof, the undersigned representatives, duly authorized by their respective States, have signed this Joint Communiqué in triplicate, in Portuguese, Belarusian and English, all texts being equally authentic.

Done in New York, on February 29, 2000

For the Republic of Mozambique



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