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Permanent Mission of the Republic of Latvia to the United Nations

Permanent Mission of the State of Bahrain to the United Nations

New York, 27th March 2000

## Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you that as of 27<sup>th</sup> March 2000 the Republic of Latvia and the State of Bahrain have established diplomatic relations on the Ambassadorial level.

We kindly request, Your Excellency, to have the enclosed text of the Joint Communique circulated as a document of the United Nations to all Member States of the United Nations for their information.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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## JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

## ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA AND THE STATE OF BAHRAIN

"The Republic of Latvia and the State of Bahrain, desirous to strengthen the friendly relations between them and to develop bilateral cooperation in different fields of concern to both countries, and being interested to develop relations between the two countries on the basis of mutual respect, sovereignty, territorial integrity and non - interference into internal affairs; and confirming their commitment to the objectives and principles of the United Nations in consolidating international peace and security; have agreed to establish diplomatic relations at Ambassadorial level in accordance with the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of April 18, 1961".

Done in New York on 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2000 in duplicate, each in English language, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the Republic of Latvia

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For the Government of the State of Bahrain