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28 février 2000

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

**Permanent Mission of the
Republic of The Gambia to the
United Nations**

17 February, 2000

His Excellency Mr. Kofi Annan
Secretary-General of the United Nations
New York

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Republic of Lithuania and the Republic of The Gambia have established diplomatic relations as of today, 17 February, 2000. Attached is a Joint Communiqué that we signed on behalf of our respective Governments to this effect.

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

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



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Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative of the
Republic of Lithuania
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**Mr. Baboucarr-Blaise Ismaila Jagne
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JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN
THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA
AND
THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the Government of the Republic of The Gambia, guided by mutual willingness to develop friendship and cooperation between the two States in political, trade, economic and other fields, have decided to establish diplomatic relations as of the date of the signing of this Joint Communiqué.

The two States have agreed to establish diplomatic relations based on the 1961 Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, 1963 Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, principles and purposes of the United Nations Charter and principles and norms of the International Law.

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the Government of the Republic of The Gambia 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 whereof, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries have signed this Joint Communiqué in the English language.

Done in duplicate at New York on this 17th day of February, 2000.

For the Government of the
Republic of Lithuania



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