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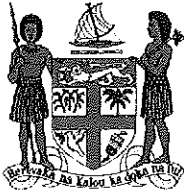
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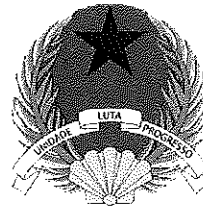
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Le 10 juillet 2014



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



**Permanent Mission of  
the Republic of Guinea-Bissau  
to the United Nations**

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7 July, 2014

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you that diplomatic relations were established between the Republic of Fiji and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau today, 7 July 2014.

We kindly request Your Excellency to circulate the enclosed Joint Communiqué, which we signed on behalf of our respective Governments, among all Members States and Observer Missions of the United Nations.

Please accept Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

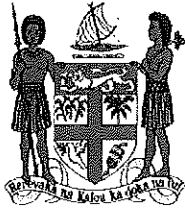
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**H.E. Ban Ki Moon**  
**The Secretary-General of the United Nations**  
**New York**



**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ  
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE  
REPUBLIC OF FIJI AND THE REPUBLIC OF GUINEA-BISSAU**

The Government of the Republic of Fiji and the Government of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau

Desirous to promote and strengthen the bonds of friendship and cooperation between their two countries in the political, economic, cultural, humanitarian and other fields,

Guided by the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and international law, particularly on equality among States, respect for national sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity, non-interference in the internal affairs of other States and respect for international treaties,

Convinced that the establishment of diplomatic relations corresponds to the interests of both States and will further strengthen international peace and security,

Have decided to establish diplomatic relations at the Ambassadorial level, in accordance with the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of April 18, 1961, as of the date of signing of this Joint Communiqué.

In witness thereof, the undersigned representatives, duly authorized by their respective Governments, have this Joint Communiqué in the English and Portuguese languages in two originals, both texts being equally authentic.

Done in New York on 7 July, 2014

For the Government of the  
Republic of Fiji

**H.E. Mr. Peter Thomson**  
Ambassador, Permanent Representative of  
the Republic of Fiji  
to the United Nations

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