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La communication ci-jointe, disponible en anglais, est transmise aux missions permanentes des États Membres de l'Organisation des Nations Unies à la demande des Représentants permanents de la Géorgie et du Lesotho auprès de l'Organisation.

Le 23 octobre 2013



**PERMANENT MISSION OF
GEORGIA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**



**PERMANENT MISSION OF
THE KINGDOM OF LESOTHO
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**

Excellency,

We have the honor to inform your Excellency that Georgia and the Kingdom of Lesotho have established diplomatic and consular relations as of 23rd of September, 2013.

We, therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to transmit this letter and the Protocol on the establishment of diplomatic and consular relations to all Member States of the United Nations for their information.

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

For Georgia

H.E. Mr. Kaha Imnadze

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative of
Georgia
to the United Nations

17 October, 2013

For the Kingdom of Lesotho

H.E. Mr. Kelebone Maope

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
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H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-Moon
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**PROTOCOL
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR RELATIONS
BETWEEN GEORGIA AND THE KINGDOM OF LESOTHO**

Georgia and the Kingdom of Lesotho, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties",

Guided by mutual willingness to develop relations of friendship and cooperation between the two countries in political, economic, cultural and other fields, have decided to establish diplomatic relations at the Ambassadorial level and to establish consular relations.

Parties are convinced that the establishment of diplomatic and consular relations between Georgia and the Kingdom of Lesotho corresponds to the interests of the two States, is not directed against any other country and will facilitate the strengthening of international cooperation and universal peace.

Parties, guided by the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and other fundamental norms and principles of international law, have agreed to develop the relations between the two States on the basis of the principles of sovereign equality, co-operation and friendly relations among states, territorial integrity, inviolability of frontiers of sovereign states and non-interference in the internal affairs of other state.

Parties have agreed to base their diplomatic relations on the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, signed on April 18, 1961 and to base their consular relations on the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, signed on April 24, 1963.

The Protocol is in force upon the signature.

Done in New York on the 23rd of September, 2013, in the Georgian and English languages, both texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation of the protocol, the English text will prevail.

For Georgia

H.E. Ms. Maia Panjikidze
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For the Kingdom of Lesotho

H.E. Mr. Mohlabi Kenneth Tsekoa
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Kingdom of Lesotho