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25 May 2010

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Le 25 Mai 2010

**The Permanent Mission
of the Kingdom of Cambodia
to the United Nations**

**The Permanent Mission
of the Independent State of Samoa
to the United Nations**

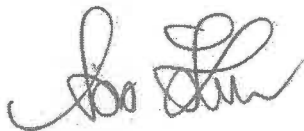
New York, 18 May 2010

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that as of today, 18 May 2010, the Royal Government of Cambodia and the Government of the Independent State of Samoa have decided to establish diplomatic relations.

We, therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to have this letter and the enclosed Joint Communiqué circulated as United Nations documents to all Member States of the United Nations for their information.

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



**Dr. Sea Kosal
Ambassador Extraordinary
and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative
of the Kingdom of Cambodia
to the United Nations**



**Mr. Ali'ioaiga Feturi Elisaia
Ambassador Extraordinary
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Permanent Representative
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**H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon
Secretary General of the United Nations
New York**

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**JOINT COMMUNIQUE
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN
THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA
AND
THE INDEPENDENT STATE OF SAMOA**

The Royal Government of Cambodia and the Government of the Independent State of Samoa,

With the purpose to promote mutual understanding and to strengthen the friendship and cooperation among their two peoples,

On the basis of the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and international law, particularly on the respect for and promotion of international peace and security, equality among States, national sovereignty, independence, international treaties, territorial integrity and non-interference in the internal affairs of States,

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

In witness thereof, the undersigned Representatives, duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Joint Communiqué in three originals, in Khmer, Samoan and English languages, all texts being equally authentic.

Signed in New York on 18 May 2010

For the Royal Government of
Cambodia



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For the Government of
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