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La communication ci-jointe, disponible en anglais, est transmise aux missions permanentes des Etats Membres de l'Organisation des Nations Unies à la demande des Représentants permanents de Sainte-Lucie et de la Slovaquie auprès de l'Organisation.

Le 22 Octobre 2009

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF  
SAINT LUCIA  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF  
THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

New York, September 23, 2009

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you that the Government of Saint Lucia and the Government of the Slovak Republic have agreed to establish diplomatic relations at Ambassadorial level as of September 23, 2009.

We kindly request your Excellency to have the enclosed Joint Communiqué circulated to all Member States of the United Nations for their information.

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



**H.E. Mr. Donatus Keith St. Aimee**  
Permanent Representative of  
Saint Lucia  
to the United Nations



**H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec**  
Permanent Representative of  
the Slovak Republic  
to the United Nations

**H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon**  
Secretary-General of the United Nations  
New York

**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ**  
**on the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations**  
**between**  
**the Slovak Republic and Saint Lucia**

The Slovak Republic and Saint Lucia,

*Desirous of* strengthening the friendly relations existing between the two countries,

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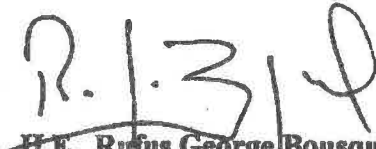
*Conforming* their commitment to the objectives and principles of the United Nations in consolidating international peace and security,

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

Done in New York on September 23, 2009 in two copies in English language.

For Saint Lucia

For the Slovak Republic

  
**H.E. Rufus George Bousquet**  
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