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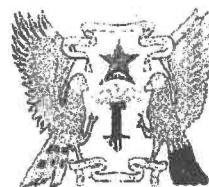
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Le 17 juillet 2009



**Permanent Representative of
Australia to the United Nations**



**Permanent Representative of the
Democratic Republic of Sao Tome
And Principe to the United Nations**

8 July 2009

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you that the Government of Australia and the Government of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe have established diplomatic relations as of today. Attached is a Joint Communiqué we have signed on behalf of our respective Governments to this effect.

We kindly request Your Excellency to have the text of this letter and the Joint Communiqué circulated as a United Nations document.

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

For the Government of Australia

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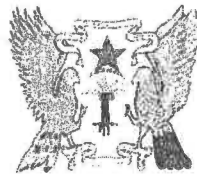
H.E. Mr. Gary Quinlan
Ambassador Extraordinary and
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Permanent Representative of
Australia to the United Nations

**For the Government of the Democratic
Republic of Sao Tome and Principe**

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H.E. Mr. Ovidio Pequeno
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative of the Democratic
Republic of Sao Tome and Principe to the United
Nations

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



JOINT COMMUNIQUE

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF SAO TOME & PRINCIPE

The Government of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome & Principe and the Government of Australia;

With the purpose of promoting mutual understanding and strengthening the friendship and cooperation among their two peoples in political, economic, social, humanitarian and other fields, in accordance with the principles and norms enshrined in international law, including the Charter of the United Nations and the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations dated 18 April 1961:

Have decided to establish diplomatic relations as of the date of the signing of this Joint Communiqué.

The Government of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome & Principe and the Government of Australia wish to express their mutual confidence that establishing diplomatic relations corresponds to the interests of both States and will help to consolidate international peace and security as well as peaceful co-existence, particularly mutual respect of national sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and non interference in the internal affairs of states.

In witness whereof, the undersigned Representatives, duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Joint Communiqué.

Done in New York, United States of America, on 8 July 2009.

For the Government of Australia

For the Government of the Democratic
Republic of Sao Tome & Principe

H.E. Mr. Gary Quinlan
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