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29 June 2009

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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 des Emirats arabes unis et de Vanuatu auprès de l'Organisation.

Le 29 juin 2009

Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations Permanent Mission of the Republic of Vanuatu the United Nations

Ref 698/2009

23 June, 2009

Excellency,

We have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the Governments of the United Arab Emirates and the Republic of Vanuatu have decided to establish diplomatic relations as of 23 June, 2009.

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

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

H.E. Mr. Ahmed Al-Jarman

Ambassador Extraordinary and

Plenipotentiary

Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates

to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Donald Kalpokas

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JOINT COMMUNIQUE

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF VANUATU AND THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

The Governments of the Republic of Vanuatu and the United Arab Emirates:

Guided by their mutual willingness to promote mutual understanding and strengthen the friendship and cooperation between the two countries in the political, economic, social, humanitarian, cultural and scientific areas based upon the principles and purposes of the United Nations Charter and the norms of international law;

Respecting the principles of equality among States, national sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and non-interference in the internal affairs of other States;

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

In witness thereof, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries, duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed in duplicate this Joint Communiqué in English and Arabic.

New York, 23 June, 2009

For the Government of the Republic of Vanuatu

H.E. Mr. Donald Kalpokas

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Ambassador Extraordinary and

Plenipotentiary

Permanent Representative of the Republic of Vanuatu

to the United Nations

For the Government of the United Arab Emirates

H.E. Mr. Ahmed Al-Jarman Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates

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