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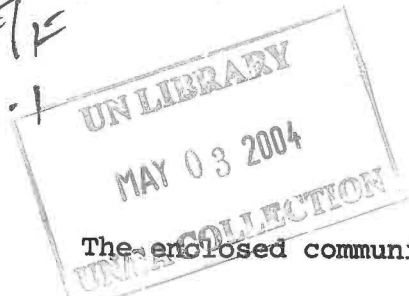
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15 April 2004

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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 l'Islande et du Timor-Leste auprès de l'Organisation.

15 avril 2004

**The Permanent Mission of the
Republic of Iceland
to the United Nations**

**The Permanent Mission of the
Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste
to the United Nations**

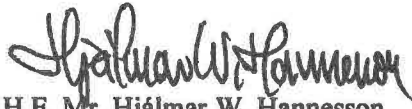
Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that as of today, 4 December 2004, the Government of the Republic of Iceland and the Government of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste have decided to establish diplomatic relations.

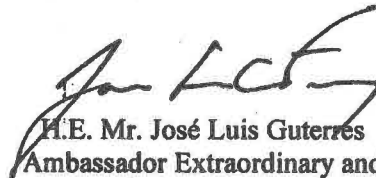
We therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to have this letter and the enclosed Joint Communiqué circulated as United Nations documents to all member states of the United Nations for their information.

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

New York, 4 December 2003



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H.E. Mr. Kofi Annan
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New York

**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN
THE REPUBLIC OF ICELAND AND THE REPUBLIC OF X**

The Republic of Iceland and the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste,

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

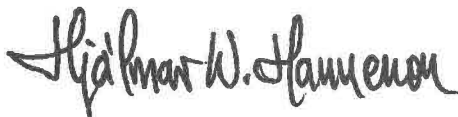
On the basis of the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United
Nations and international law, particularly on the respect for and promotion of
international peace and security, equality among States, national sovereignty,
independence, international treaties, territorial integrity and non-interference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

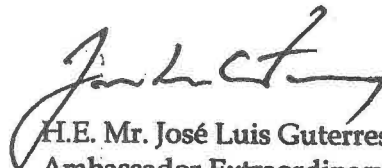
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