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10 April 2003

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10 avril 2003

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

Permanent Mission
of the Hellenic Republic
to the United Nations

New York, 4 April 2003

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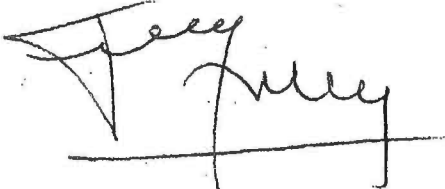
We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste and the Hellenic Republic have established diplomatic relations as of 4 April 2003.

We would be grateful if Your Excellency could have this letter and the Joint Communiqué on the establishment of diplomatic relations between our two countries circulated as a United Nations document.

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



José Luis Guterres
Permanent Representative



Adamantios Th. Vassilakis
Permanent Representative

His Excellency
Mr Kofi Annan
Secretary-General of the United Nations
New York

JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

**On the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations Between
the Hellenic Republic
and the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste**

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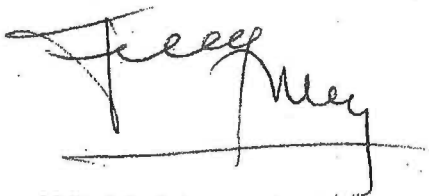
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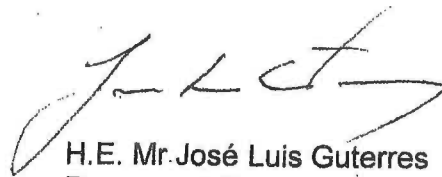
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For the Government
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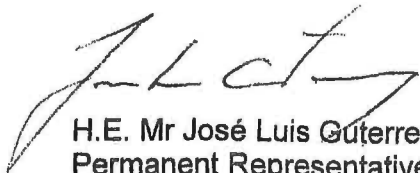
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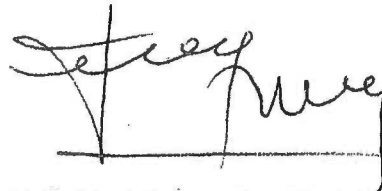
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