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## PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

## PERMANENT MISSION OF TIMOR-LESTE TO THE UNITED NATIONS

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Excellency,

We have the honor to inform Your Excellency that today the Government of the Republic of Macedonia and the Government of Timor-Leste have established Diplomatic Relations.

We, therefore, request Your Excellency to distribute to all the Member States of the United Nations the enclosed Joint Communiqué that we have signed on behalf of our respective Governments.

We avail ourselves of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of our highest consideration.

For the Government of the Republic of Macedonia

H.E. Mr. Srgjan Kerim, PhD Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative to the United Nations For the Government of Timor-Leste

H.E. Mr. Jose Luis Guterres Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative to the United Nations

His Excellency
Dr. Kofi A. Annan
Secretary-General of the United Nations
New York

### Joint Communiqué on the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Republic of Macedonia and Timor-Leste

The Government of the Republic of Macedonia and the Government of Timor-Leste, guided by mutual willingness to develop friendly relations and cooperation between the two states in political, trade, economic, cultural and other fields, have decided to establish diplomatic relations at Ambassadorial level with effect from the date of signature of the present Joint Communiqué.

The two countries have agreed to establish diplomatic relations based on the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic relations of April 18, 1961 and principles and norms of the Charter of the United Nations and International Law.

The Republic of Macedonia and Timor-Leste are fully convinced that the establishment of diplomatic relations corresponds to the interests of both states and will further strengthen international peace and security.

In witness thereof, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries have signed this Joint Communiqué in English language.

Done in New York, March 25, 2003

For the Government of the Republic of Macedonia

H.E. Mr. Srgjan Kerim, PhD Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative to the United Nations For the Government of Timor-Leste

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