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JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

on establishment of diplomatic relations between the Republic of Macedonia and Jamaica

The Government of the Republic of Macedonia and the Government of Jamaica:

Willing to promote and reinforce friendly relations between the two countries and the two peoples, on the basis of equality, mutual respect for sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and non-interference in other States internal affairs,

Guided by the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic relations of April 18, 1961,

Have decided to establish diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level with effect from the date of signature of the present Joint Communiqué.

In witness thereof, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries, duly mandated by their respective Governments, have signed this Joint Communiqué in the English language.

Done in New York, on April 1, 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 Jamaica

H.E. Mr. Stafford O. Neil Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative to the United Nations

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

PERMANENT MISSION OF JAMAICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

New York, 1 April 2003

Excellency,

We have the honor to inform Your Excellency that today the Government of the Republic of Macedonia and the Government of Jamaica have established diplomatic relations.

We, therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to have the enclosed Joint Communiqué on establishment of diplomatic relations between our two countries, circulated as a document of the United Nations to all Member States of the United Nations for their information.

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

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