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26 March 2003

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26 mars 2003

**Permanent Mission of the Republic
of BENIN to the United Nations**

**Permanent Mission of the Republic
of MAURITIUS to the United Nations**

New York, March 24, 2003

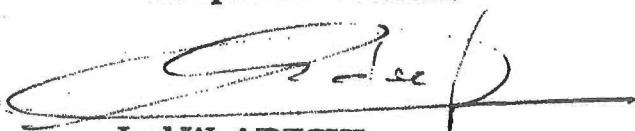
Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that as from this date, Diplomatic Relations have been established between the Republic of BENIN and the Republic of MAURITIUS.

We therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to circulate the enclosed Joint Communiqué to the Member States of the United Nations for their information.

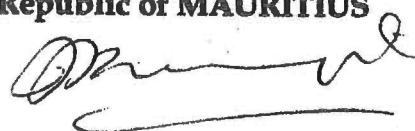
Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

**For the Government of
the Republic of BENIN**



Joel W. ADECHI
Ambassador Extraordinary
and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative
of the Republic of BENIN
to the United Nations

**For the Government of
the Republic of MAURITIUS**



Jagdish D. KOONJUL
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Permanent Representative of
the Republic of MAURITIUS
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H.E.Mr. Kofi ANNAN
Secretary General
of the United Nations
New York

**AGREEMENT
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC
RELATIONS BETWEEN
THE REPUBLIC OF BENIN
AND
THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS**

The Government of the Republic of BENIN and the Government of the Republic of MAURITIUS:

Desirous to develop and consolidate friendship and cooperation between the two States and the two People;

Concerned about the strengthening of their mutual cooperation for the benefit of their respective populations;

Reaffirming their full adherence to the principles and ideals of the United Nations Charter, the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961 and the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations of 1963;

Aware that no country should live in isolation;

Have decided as follows:

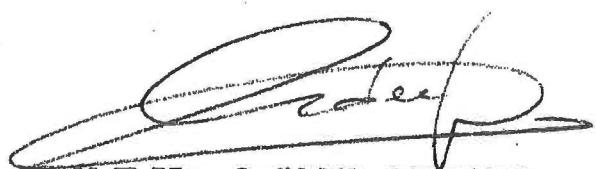
Article 1

Diplomatic relations between the Republic of BENIN and the Republic of MAURITIUS are established commencing from the date of signature of this agreement.

Article 2

This agreement which confirms the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two States is done in New York on.....^{26th March}.....2003, in two copies in French and English languages, each text being equally authentic.

For the Government of the
Republic of **BENIN**
The Ambassador, Permanent
Representative of **BENIN**
to the United Nations



H.E. Mr. Joël W. ADECHI

For the Government of the
Republic of **MAURITIUS**
The Ambassador, Permanent
Representative of **MAURITIUS**
to the United Nations



H.E. Mr. Jagdish D. KOONJUL

**ACCORD PORTANT ETABLISSEMENT
DES RELATIONS DIPLOMATIQUES
ENTRE
LA REPUBLIQUE DE MAURICE
ET
LA REPUBLIQUE DU BENIN**

**Le Gouvernement de la République de MAURICE et le
Gouvernement de la République du BENIN;**

**Désireux de développer et de consolider les liens d'amitié et
de coopération entre les deux Etats et les deux Peuples;**

**Soucieux de renforcer leur coopération mutuelle pour le plus
grand bien de leurs populations respectives;**

**Réaffirmant leur adhésion pleine et entière aux Principes et
Ideaux de la Charte des Nations Unies, de la Convention de Vienne sur
les Relations Diplomatiques de 1961 et de la Convention de Vienne sur les
Relations Consulaires de 1963;**

Conscients qu'aucun pays ne saurait vivre en autarcie;

Sont convenus de ce qui suit:

Article 1

Des relations diplomatiques sont établies entre la République de MAURICE et la République du BENIN pour compter de la date de signature du présent accord.

Article 2

Le présent accord consacrant l'établissement des relations diplomatiques entre les deux Etats est rédigé à New York le 24 mars 2003, en deux exemplaires en langues française et anglaise, les deux textes faisant également foi.

Pour le Gouvernement de la République de MAURICE,
L'Ambassadeur, Représentant Permanent de la République de MAURICE auprès des Nations Unies


S.E. M. Jagdish D. KOONJUL

Pour le Gouvernement de la République du BENIN
L'Ambassadeur, Représentant Permanent de la République du BENIN auprès des Nations Unies


S.E. M. Joël W. ADECHI