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**PERMANENT MISSION OF
UKRAINE
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**

**PERMANENT MISSION OF
THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**

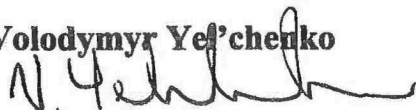
Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Government of Ukraine and the Government of the Republic of The Gambia have decided to formalise diplomatic relations between the two countries at the Ambassadorial level as of July 2, 1999.

We, therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to have the enclosed Joint Communiqué that was signed by the two Permanent Representatives distributed as an official document to all Member States of the United Nations for their information.

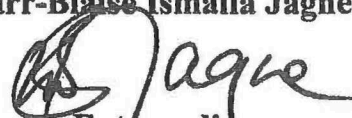
We take this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of our highest consideration.

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