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La communication ci-jointe, disponible en anglais, est transmise aux missions permanentes des Etats Membres de l'Organisation des Nations Unies à la demande des Représentants permanents du Malawi et de l'Ukraine auprès de l'Organisation.

5 janvier 1999

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

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

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you that the Government of Ukraine and the Government the Republic of Malawi of have agreed to establish diplomatic relations between the two countries at the Ambassadorial level as of 22 December 1998.

We, therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to have the enclosed Joint Communiqué that was signed by the two Permanent Representatives to be 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.

Volodymyr Yel'chenko



**Ambassador Extraordinary and
Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative
of Ukraine
to the United Nations**

Prof. David Rubadiri



**Ambassador Extraordinary
and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative of
the Republic of Malawi
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**H.E. Mr. Kofi Annan
Secretary-General
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New York**

JOINT COMMUNIQUE

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN UKRAINE AND THE REPUBLIC OF MALAWI

The Government of Ukraine and the Government of the Republic of Malawi, desirous of promoting and strengthening the existing relations between their two countries and peoples, and fostering better links of understanding and co-operation, guided by the principles of sovereignty and mutual respect, as enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations,

Have decided to establish formal diplomatic relations, in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961, at the Ambassadorial level with effect from the date of the signing of this Joint Communiqué.

Done at New York on this 22nd day of December, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight (1998), in duplicate, each copy in Ukrainian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic.

For and on behalf of the
Government of Ukraine



H.E. Mr. Volodymyr Yel'chenko

Ambassador Extraordinary and
Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative
of Ukraine
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For and on behalf of the
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22 December 1998

MEDIA RELEASE
(Immediate)

The Governments of the Republic of Malawi and Ukraine willing to further promote relations between the two nations and in accordance with their commitment to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, have agreed to establish diplomatic relations between the two countries at Ambassadorial level with effect from 22 December 1998.