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PERMANENT MISSION OF UKRAINE TO THE UNITED NATIONS

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA 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 Liberia have decided to formalise diplomatic relations between the two countries at the Ambassadorial level as of September 24, 1998. Attached is a Joint Communique to this effect signed by H.E. Mr. Borys I. Tarasyuk, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, and H.E. Mr. Monie R. Captan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Liberia on 24 September 1998 on behalf of our respective Governments.

We, therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to inform respectively all Member States of the United Nations.

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

Volodymyr Yel'chenko

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Pern anent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations Pamatta Q. Osode Famatta Rose Osode

Charge d'Affaires a.i. of the Republic of Liberia to the United Nations

H.E. Mr.Kofi Annan Secretary-General of the United Nations New York

JOINT COMMUNIQUE On the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations Between the Republic of Liberia and Ukraine

The Republic of Liberia and Ukraine have decided to establish diplomatic relations effective as of 24 September 1998 and to exchange diplomatic missions at the Ambassadorial level.

The Republic of Liberia and Ukraine make use of this instrument to express their firm and mutual support of each other in their efforts to safeguard their national independence and sovereignty and to develop national economies of their respective countries.

The Republic of Liberia and Ukraine have accordingly agreed to develop friendly relations and cooperation between their countries in accordance with the universally recognized principles of international law.

Done at New York on this 24th day of September, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight (1998) in duplicate, each in English and Ukrainian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Republic of Liberia

H.E. Mr. Monie R. Captan

Minister for Foreign Affairs

For Ukraine

H.E. Mr. Borys I. Tarasyuk

Minister for Foreign Affairs