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18 juillet 1997

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Croatia to the United Nations Permanent Mission of the Republic of Fiji to the United Nations

14 July 1997

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that as from today, 14 July 1997, diplomatic relations have been established between the Government of the Republic of Croatia and the Government of the Republic of Fiji.

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

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

For the Government of the Republic of Croatia

IVAN ŠIMONOVIĆ Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Croatia

to the United Nations

For the Government of the Republic of Fiji

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H.E. Mr. Kofi Annan Secretary-General of the United Nations NEW YORK

JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI AND THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

The Government of the Republic of Fiji and the Government of the Republic of Croatia, desirous of developing and strengthening relations between the two countries in the interest of peace and cooperation among peoples and on the basis of mutual respect for independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity, as well as on the principles of non-interference, non-use of force in international relations, peaceful settlement of disputes and other principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations, have agreed to establish diplomatic relations at the Ambassadorial level between the two countries as from the date of signature of this Joint Communiqué.

Done at New York, on 14 July 1997, in duplicate, each in English and Croatian, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the Republic of Fiji

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For the Government of the Republic of Croatia

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