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PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SURINAM TO THE UNITED NATIONS

New York, 4 May 1977

Sir,

We have the honour to inform you that on May 3, 1977, our respective Governments have issued simultaneously a joint communique concerning the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries, the text of which is as follows:

> "In accordance with the desire to strengthen the existing friendly relations and the co-operation between the Republic of Surinam and Austria in various fields, the Government of the Republic of Surinam and the Federal Government of Austria agreed to establish formal diplomatic relations at the Ambassador's level . ith effect from May 3rd, 1977.

The Governments of both countries express the hope that the establishment of diplomatic relations will lead to the development of mutually beneficial co-operation."

We would request you to transmit this communication to the States Members of the United Nations and we take this opportunity to renew to you the assurances of our highest consideration.

Henric's A.F. Heidweiller Ambassador Permanent Representative of the Republic of Surinam to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Kurt Waldheim Secretary-General of the United Nations New York

Peter Jankowitsch Ambassador Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations