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sir,

We have the honour to inform you that today our respective Governments simultaneously issued a joint communiqué on the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Republic of Zambia and Venezuela.

The communiqué expresses the wishes of the two countries to promote the existing ties of friendship, in accordance with the principles of sovereign equality, mutual understanding, solidarity and co-operation for the common cause of peace, the progress of both peoples and national independence.

We should be very grateful if you could transmit this communiqué to the States Members of the United Nations and we avail ourselves of this opportunity to convey to you the renewed assurances of our highest consideration.

(Signed) Gwendoline C. KONIE
Ambassador

Permanent Representative of the Republic of Zambia to the United Nations

(Signed) Rubén CARPIO CASTILLO
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of Venezuela
to the United Nations

His Excellency Dr. Kurt Waldheim Secretary-General United Nations New York