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PERMANENT MISSION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

PERMANENT MISSION OF INDIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

1 June 1979

Sir:

We have the honour to inform you that on June 2, 1979, the Governments of the People's Republic of Angola and India have issued simultaneously a joint communique concerning the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries, the text of which is as follows:

The Governments of the People's Republic of Angola and India have agreed to establish bonds of friendship and cooperation on the basis of the principles of mutual respect of national sovereignty, territorial integrity, non-interference in the internal affairs of each other, and equal rights.

Desiring to obtain this objective, the two Governments have decided to establish formal diplomatic relations, at ambassadorial level, with effect from June 2, 1979.

The Governments of both countries express the hope that the establishment of diplomatic relations will lead to the development of mutually beneficial cooperation.

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

Elisio de Figueiredo Ambassador

Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of Angola to the United Nations Rikhi Jaipal Ambassador

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