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20 décembre 1979

New York

Your Excellency,

We have the honour to present our compliments to you and to request your kind assistance in having the attached document on the establishment of diplomatic relations between our two countries circulated among the Member-States of the United Nations as a UN document.

The Agreement was signed between the Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the Government of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe on December 12th, 1979, in New York by the Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of Bulgaria to the United Nations and the Charge d'Affaires a.i. of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Frincipe to the United Nations.

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

Helder BARROS

Counsellor,

Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe to the United Nations

II.E. Mr. Kurt Waldheim Secretary-General, United Nations, New York Dr. Alexander YANKOV

Deputy Foreign Minister, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary,

Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of Bulgaria to the United Nations

JOINT COMMUNIQUE

The Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the Government of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe,

Guided by the principles of peaceful co-existence, non-interference in internal affairs, equality, respect for sovereignty and mutual benefit,

Desirous of promoting the relations of friendship and co-operation between their two countries,

Ilave decided to establish diplomatic relations at the Ambassadorial level.

This decision is to become effective as of December 25th, 1979.

New York, December 12th, 1979

Helder BARROS

Counsellor,

Charge d'Affaires a.i. of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe to the United Nations Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs,

Dr. Alexander YANKOV

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary,

Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of Bulgaria to the United Nations