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Permanent Mission of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas to the United Nations

Ref. No. BM/1300/3/1:

New York, July 28, 1994

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Republic of South Africa and the Commonwealth of The Bahamas have established diplomatic relations as of July 28, 1994. Attached is a Joint Communique we have signed on behalf of our respective Governments to this effect.

We would be grateful if you have this letter and the Joint Communique circulated as a United Nations document.

Please accept Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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New York, July 28, 1994

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that today, July 28, 1994, the Commonwealth of The Bahamas and the Republic of South Africa have established diplomatic relations. Therefore, we would like to request Your Excellency to circulate the attached Joint Communique as a United Nations document.

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

For the Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas For the Government of the Republic of South Africa

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H.E. Dr Boutros Boutros-Ghali Secretary-General of the United Nations New York

JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS AND

THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

The Commonwealth of The Bahamas and the Republic of South Africa, guided by the principles of mutual respect, equality, sovereignty, territorial integrity, and non-interference in the internal affairs of States and in accordance with the norms of international law and the Charter of the United Nations, have decided to establish diplomatic relations, at the level of non-resident Ambassador, as of the date of this Joint Communique, taking into account the regulations of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961.

The Commonwealth of The Bahamas and the Republic of South Africa express their confidence that the establishment of diplomatic relations will strengthen friendly relations and promote the development of cooperation in the political economic and cultural fields, between the two countries.

Done at New York, on July 28, 1994.

For the Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas

For the Government of the Republic of South Africa

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