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La communication ci-jointe, disponible en anglais, est transmise aux missions permanentes des États Membres de l'Organisation des Nations Unies à la demande des Représentants permanents de Sainte-Lucie et du Viet Nam auprès de l'Organisation.

Le 2 juillet 2018



**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**



**PERMANENT MISSION OF
SAINT LUCIA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**

New York, 26 June 2018

Your Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that as of 26 June 2018, the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and Saint Lucia have established diplomatic relations.

We, therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to circulate this letter and the enclosed Joint Communiqué, which we signed on behalf of our respective authorities to all Member States of the United Nations for their information.

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

For the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

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Ambassador Extraordinary and
Plenipotentiary,
Permanent Representative of the Socialist
Republic of Viet Nam to the United Nations

For Saint Lucia

H.E. Mr. Cosmos Richardson
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**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ
ON
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN
THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM
AND
SAINT LUCIA**

The Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and the Government of Saint Lucia,

Guided by their mutual willingness to develop and strengthen friendship and cooperation between the two States in political, economic, social and humanitarian and other fields, in accordance with the principles and norms enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations, International Law and the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April 1961, and desirous of furthering international security through peaceful coexistence among nations,

Have decided to establish diplomatic relations at Ambassadorial levels through the signing of this Joint Communiqué,

As a witness thereof, the undersigned Representatives, authorized by the respective Governments, have duly signed this Joint Communiqué.

Signed in New York, in two original copies, on 26 of June of 2018 in Vietnamese and English, all texts being equally authentic.

On behalf of the Government of the
Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

On behalf of the Government of
Saint Lucia

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