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17 décembre 1981

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Republic of Niger have decided to establish diplomatic relations between them at the ambassadorial level.

A joint communique to this effect was issued in the capitals of the two countries and officially announced in the early part of December 1981. The text of the communique reads as follows:

> "THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF NIGER, WISHING TO DEVELOP THE EXISTING RELATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THEM, HAVE DECIDED TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AT THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL."

It will be appreciated if this letter can be circulated to Member States.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of our highest consideration.

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