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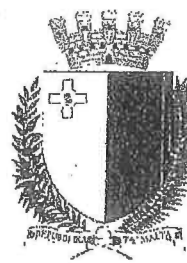
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Le 26 juillet 2018



**PERMANENT MISSION OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**



**PERMANENT MISSION OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Rwanda and the Government of the Republic of Malta have established Diplomatic Relations as of today. Attached is a Joint Communiqué in English which we have both signed, on behalf of our respective Governments to this effect.

We kindly request your Excellency to have the text of this letter and the Joint Communiqué circulated as a United Nations document.

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

**For the Government  
of the Republic of Rwanda**

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**H.E. Mrs. Valentine Rugwabiza  
Permanent Representative of the  
Republic of Rwanda to the United Nations**

**For the Government  
of the Republic of Malta**

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**H.E. Mr. Carmelo Inguanez  
Permanent Representative of the  
Republic of Malta to the United Nations**

**H.E. Mr. António Guterres  
Secretary-General of the United Nations  
NEW YORK**



**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ  
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF  
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN  
THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA  
AND THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA**

The Government of the Republic of Rwanda and the Government of the Republic of Malta,

Desirous to promote and strengthen relations of friendship and cooperation between the two countries, on the basis of the principles of mutual respect for each other's sovereignty, equality, territorial integrity, non-interference in each other's internal affairs as well as peaceful settlement of disputes;


Guided by the principles and purposes established in the Charter of the United Nations, and in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961;

Have decided to establish diplomatic relations as from the Day of the signing of this Joint Communiqué.


In witness whereof, the undersigned Representatives, duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Joint Communiqué.

Done at New York, on 12 July 2018, in duplicate, in the English language.

**For the Government  
of the Republic of Rwanda**

  
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**H.E. Mrs. Valentine Rugwabiza  
Permanent Representative of the  
Republic of Rwanda to the United Nations**

**For the Government  
of the Republic of Malta**

  
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