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6 octobre 1997

**Permanent Mission of the
Republic of Mozambique
to the United Nations**

**Permanent Mission of
Belize to the
United Nations**

New York, September 30, 1997


Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Republic of Mozambique and Belize have established Diplomatic Relations as of today, September 30, 1997. Attached is a Joint Communiqué we have signed on behalf of our respective Countries to this effect.

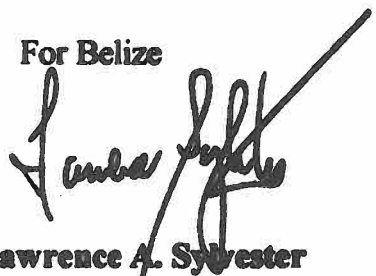
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Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

**For the Republic of
Mozambique**


**Carlos dos Santos
Ambassador Extraordinary
and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative
to the United Nations**

For Belize


**Lawrence A. Sylvester
Minister Counsellor
Charge of Affairs
Permanent Mission of Belize
to the United Nations**

**H.E. Kofi Annan
Secretary General of the United Nations
New York**

Joint Communiqué
on the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations
between the Republic of Mozambique
and Belize

The Republic of Mozambique and Belize, guided by mutual willingness to develop fraternal ties of friendship and cooperation in the political, economic, humanitarian and other fields, have decided to establish diplomatic relations as of the date of the signing of this Joint Communiqué.


The two countries agreed to establish their diplomatic relations in accordance with the Vienna Convention of 18 of April 1961 on Diplomatic Relations and relevant principles and norms of the United Nations Charter and International Law.

The Republic of Mozambique and Belize are fully convinced that the establishment of diplomatic relations corresponds to the interests of the two States and will further strengthen international peace and security.


In witness whereof, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries, have signed this Joint Communiqué in two originals, Portuguese and English, all texts being equally authentic.

Done in New York, on September 30, 1997.

For the Republic
of Mozambique


Dr. Leonardo Santos Simão
Minister of Foreign Affairs
and Cooperation of the
Republic of Mozambique

For Belize


Dean O. Barrow
Deputy-Prime Minister
Minster of Foreign Affairs,
National Security and
Attorney-General of Belize