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28 December 2007

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La communication ci-jointe, disponible en anglais, est transmise aux missions permanentes des Etats Membres de l'Organisation des Nations Unies à la demande des Représentants permanents du Botswana et du Suriname auprès de l'Organisation.

Le 28 decembre 2007

Permanent Mission of the
Republic of Suriname to
the United Nations

Permanent Mission of the
Republic of Botswana to
the United Nations

New York, 6 December 2007

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you about the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Government of the Republic of Suriname and the Government of the Republic of Botswana, at Ambassadorial level, in a ceremony held this day in the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Suriname to the United Nations.

We, therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to circulate the attached Joint Communiqué as an official document to all Member States of the United Nations for their information.

We take this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of our highest consideration.

For the Government of the
Republic of Suriname,



H.E. Mr. Henry L. Mac Donald
Ambassador and Permanent
Representative of the Republic
of Suriname to the United Nations

For the Government of the
Republic of Botswana,



H.E. Mr. Samuel O. Outule
Ambassador and Permanent
Representative of the Republic
of Botswana to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-Moon
Secretary General of the United Nations
New York



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JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF SURINAME AND THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA

The Government of the Republic of Suriname and the Government of the Republic of Botswana,

Being desirous of strengthening the friendly relations existing between our two countries and peoples and promoting mutually beneficial co-operation and on the basis of mutual respect and the principles of sovereignty, territorial integrity and non-interference in the internal affairs of other states,

Guided by the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April 1961,

Have decided to establish diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level with effect from the date of signature of the present Joint Communiqué,

In witness thereof, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries, duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed the Joint Communiqué in two original texts in the English language, both copies being equally authentic.

Done in New York, United States of America on December 6, 2007.

For the Government of the
Republic of Suriname

Mr. Henry L. Mac Donald
Ambassador and Permanent
Representative of the Republic
Suriname to the United Nations

For the Government of the
Republic of Botswana

Mr. Samuel O. Outlule
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