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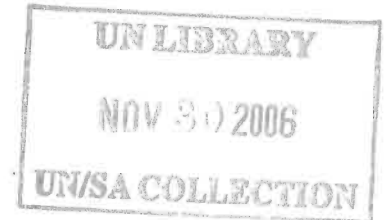


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Le 17 novembre 2006



***Permanent Mission of  
the Republic of Sierra Leone  
to the United Nations***



***Permanent Mission of  
the Commonwealth of the Bahamas  
to the United Nations***

7<sup>th</sup> November 2006

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Government of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas have established diplomatic relations as of today, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2006. Attached is a Joint Communiqué we have 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.

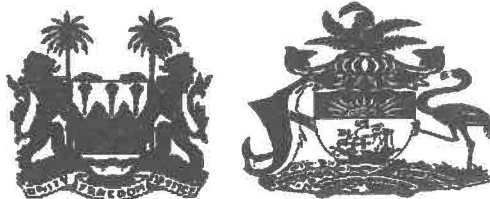
For the Government of  
the Republic of Sierra Leone

**H.E. Joe R. Pemagbi**  
Ambassador Extraordinary  
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Permanent Representative  
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**H.E. Mr. Kofi Annan**  
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For the Government of  
the Commonwealth of the Bahamas

**H.E. Ms. Paulette A. Bethel**  
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**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ  
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS  
BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE  
AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS**

The Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Government of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas, desirous to promote and strengthen relations of friendship and cooperation between the two countries, have decided to establish diplomatic relations at Ambassadorial level as from the date of the signing of this Joint Communiqué, in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961.

In establishing diplomatic relations, the two countries reiterate their adherence to the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations.

Done at New York, on *24* November 2006 in two original copies, in English.

For the Government of  
the Republic of Sierra Leone

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joe R. Pemagbi'.

**H.E. Joe R. Pemagbi**  
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For the Government of  
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