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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 de l'Islande et de Tuvalu auprès de l'Organisation.

2 août 2005

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Iceland to the United Nations

The Permanent Mission of Tuvalu to the United Nations

New York, 26 July 2005

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that as of today, 26 of July 2005, the Government of the Republic of Iceland and the Government of Tuvalu have decided to establish diplomatic relations.

We therefore, kindly request Your Excellency to have this letter and the enclosed Joint Communiqué circulated as United Nations documents to all member states of the United Nations for their information.

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

Ambassador Extraordinary and

Plenipotentiary

Permanent Representative of the

Republic of Iceland

to the United Nations

Ambassador Extraordinary and

Plenipotentiary

Permanent Representative of

Tuvalu

to the United Nations

To: H.E. Mr. Kofi Annan Secretary General of the **United Nations**

JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF ICELAND AND TUVALU

The Republic of Iceland and Tuvalu,

With the purpose to promote mutual understanding and to strengthen the friendship and cooperation among their two peoples,

On the basis of the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and international law, particularly on the respect for and promotion of international peace and security, equality among States, national sovereignity, independence, international treaties, territorial integrity and non-interference in the internal affairs of States.

Have decided to establish diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level, in accordance with the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April, 1961, as of the date of the signing of this Joint Communiqué.

In the witness thereof, the undersigned representatives, duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Joint Communiqué in duplicate.

New York, 26 July 2005

For the Republic of Iceland

For Tuvalu

Hjálmar W. Hannesson
Ambassador Extraordinary
and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative to
the United Nations

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative to

Enele Sosene Sogoaga

the United Nations

JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN TUVALU AND THE REPUBLIC OF ICELAND

Tuvalu and the Republic of Iceland,

With the purpose to promote mutual understanding and to strengthen the friendship and cooperation among their two peoples,

On the basis of the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and international law, particularly on the respect for and promotion of international peace and security, equality among States, national sovereignity, independence, international treaties, territorial integrity and non-interference in the internal affairs of States.

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