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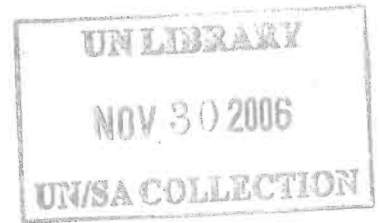


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16 November 2006

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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 la Sierra Leone auprès de l'Organisation.

Le 16 novembre 2006

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

The Permanent Mission of the  
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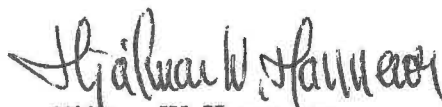
New York, 13 November 2006

Excellency,

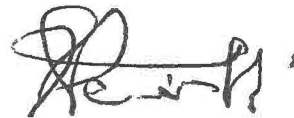
We have the honour to inform Your Excellency that as of today, 13 November 2006, the Government of the Republic of Iceland and the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone have decided to establish diplomatic relations.

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.



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Permanent Representative  
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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 the Republic of Sierra Leone**

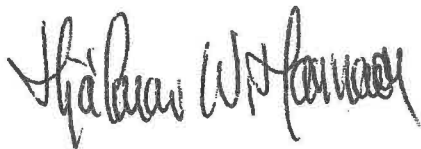
The Government of the Republic of Iceland and the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone,

Guided by the common willingness to promote mutual understanding and to strengthen the friendly relations 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 of national sovereignty, equality, independence, territorial integrity, non-interference in the internal affairs of States, international treaties and for the promotion of international peace and security.

Have decided to establish diplomatic relations 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.

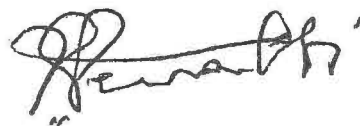
Done in New York, 13 November 2006, in the English language

For the Government of  
the Republic of Iceland



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