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Permanent Mission of the Gambia to the United Nations Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations

Excellency

We have the honour to inform you that as from 29 May 2001, diplomatic relations have been established between the Gambia and Ireland. Attached is the Joint Communique to this effect.

We would be grateful if Your Excellency would have this letter and the Joint Communique circulated as a United Nations document.

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

For the Government of the Gambia

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Baboucarr-Blaise Ismaila Jagne Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative

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H.E. Mr. Kofi Annan Secretary General United Nations New York

Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between Ireland and the Gambia

The Government of Ireland and the Government of the Gambia, guided by a shared willingness to develop ties of friendship and cooperation in the political, economic, cultural, humanitarian and other fields, have decided to establish diplomatic relations.

The Government of Ireland and the Government of the Gambia hereby agree to the establishment of diplomatic relations between their two countries as of the date of this Note based on the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April 1961 and on the principles and norms of the Charter of the United Nations and of international law.

The Government of Ireland and the Government of the Gambia are fully convinced that the establishment of diplomatic relations corresponds to the interests of both States and will further strengthen international peace and security.

Signed at New York on 29 May 2001.

For the Government of Ireland

For the Government of the Gambia

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