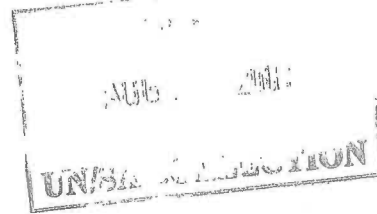


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31 mai 2001

**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 Communiqué to this effect.

We would be grateful if Your Excellency would have 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 Gambia

For the Government of Ireland



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**Establishment of Diplomatic Relations  
between Ireland and the Gambia**

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**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**

  
**Richard Ryan**  
**Permanent Representative**

**For the Government of the Gambia**

  
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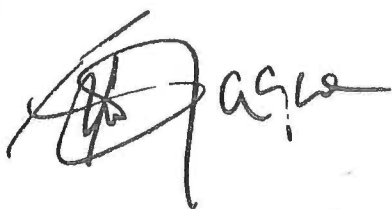
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