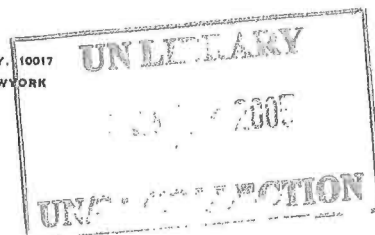


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13 January 2005

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13 janvier 2005

**Permanent Mission of
the Republic of Croatia
to the United Nations**

**Permanent Mission of
the Republic of Iraq
to the United Nations**

Excellency,

We have the honor to inform you that, as of 4 January, 2005, the Government of the Republic of Croatia and the Government of the Republic of Iraq have established diplomatic relations between the two respective countries at ambassadorial level.

We, therefore, kindly request your Excellency to have the enclosed Joint Communiqué that we signed on behalf of our respective Governments, and the text of this letter, circulated to all Member States as an official document of the United Nations.

We take this opportunity to renew to your Excellency the assurances of our highest consideration.

New York, 4 January, 2005

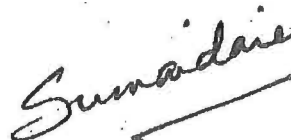
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**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA AND
THE REPUBLIC OF IRAQ**

The Government of the Republic of Croatia and the Government of the Republic of Iraq, desirous to promote and strengthen relations of friendship and cooperation between the two countries, have decided to establish diplomatic relations at the 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 4 January, 2005, in two original copies, in English.

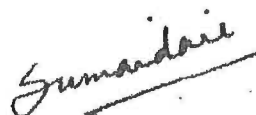
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