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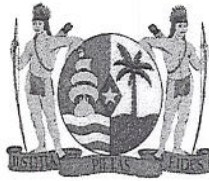
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Le 27 décembre 2012



**PERMANENT MISSION
OF THE REPUBLIC OF
SURINAME TO THE
UNITED NATIONS**



**PERMANENT MISSION
OF THE INDEPENDENT
STATE OF SAMOA
TO THE UNITED
NATIONS**

16 November 2012

Excellency,

We have the honor to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Suriname and the Independent State of Samoa have established diplomatic relations as of today. Attached is a Joint Communiqué we have signed, both in English, on behalf of our respective Governments to this effect.

We kindly request Your Excellency to have the text of this letter and the Joint Communiqué circulated as a United Nations document to all Member States of the United Nations for their information.

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

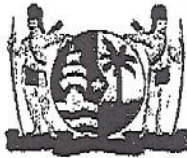
**For the Government of
The Republic of Suriname**

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**For the Government of
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JOINT COMMUNIQUE
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF SURINAME
AND THE INDEPENDENT STATE OF SAMOA

The Republic of Suriname and the Independent State of Samoa,

With the purpose of promoting mutual understanding and strengthening the friendship and cooperation among their two peoples in political, economic, social, humanitarian and other fields,

Expressing confidence that the establishment of diplomatic relations will help promote international peace and security as well as peaceful co-existence, in particular, mutual respect for national sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and non-interference in the internal affairs of States,

Guided by the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and International Law,

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

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned, duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Joint Communiqué in duplicate in the English language, all text being equally authentic.

Done in New York, on 16th November 2012

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