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Le 5 novembre 2012

23 October 2012

Excellency,

We have the honour to inform you that diplomatic relations were established between the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Republic of South Sudan today, 23 October 2012.

We kindly request, Your Excellency, to circulate the enclosed Joint Communiqué in English, which we signed on behalf of our respective Governments, among all the Members States of the United Nations.

Please accept Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

H.E. Mr. Agshin Mehdiyev Permanent Representative to the United Nations

H.E. Dr. Francis Mading Deng Permanent Representative to the United Nations

H.E. Ban Ki Moon
The Secretary-General of the United Nations
New York

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on the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Republic of South Sudan

The Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Government of the Republic of South Sudan,

Desirous to promote mutual understanding and cooperation between their two Peoples, and guided by the Charter of the United Nations and generally accepted norms and principles of international law, in particular those relating to sovereignty, territorial integrity and non-interference in the internal affairs,

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

Done in New York on <u>23</u> October 2012, each one in Azerbaijani and English languages. Both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan

H.E. Mr. Agshin Mehdiyev Permanent Representative to the United Nations

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For the Government of the Republic of South Sudan

H.E. Dr. Francis Mading Deng Permanent Representative to the United Nations