

JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

On the establishment of the diplomatic relations Between Malta and the Independent State of Samoa

The Government of Malta and the Government of the Independent State of Samoa guided by the mutual willingness to develop friendly relations and cooperation between the two States in political, economic, cultural, humanitarian and other fields, have decided to establish diplomatic relations at Ambassadorial level with effect from the date of the signature of the present Joint Communiqué.

The Parties to this agreement agree that their diplomatic relations will be founded on the principles and norms of the United Nations Charter and International Law.

The Government of Malta and the Government of the Independent State of Samoa are fully convinced that the establishment of diplomatic relations corresponds to the interests of both States and will strengthen international peace and security.

The two Parties further agree that their diplomatic relations shall be guided by the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18th April, 1961.

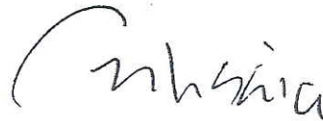
Signed in New York on the 22nd July 2004.

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