

## JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE REPUBLIC OF SURINAME

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The Republic of the Philippines and the Republic of Suriname, guided by mutual willingness to develop fraternal ties of friendship and cooperation in the political, economic, humanitarian and other fields, have decided to establish diplomatic relations as of the date of the signing of this Joint Communiqué.

The two countries agreed to establish their diplomatic relations in accordance with the Vienna Convention of 18 April 1961 on Diplomatic Relations and relevant principles and norms of the United Nations Charter and International Law.

The Republic of the Philippines and the Republic of Suriname are fully convinced that the establishment of diplomatic relations corresponds to the interests of the two States and will further strengthen international peace and security.

In witness whereof, the undersigned representatives, duly authorized by their respective governments, have signed this Joint Communiqué in two originals, in the English language, all texts being equally authentic.

Done in New York on 16 December 1997.

For the Republic of the Philippines:

(Sgd.) FELIPE MABILANGAN  
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary  
Permanent Representative to the United Nations

For the Republic of Suriname:

(Sgd.) SUBHAS CHANDRA MUNGRA  
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary  
Permanent Representative to the United Nations

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