

JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA

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The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea;

Guided by the principles of the United Nations Charter and the generally accepted principles of international law, including respect for domestic laws, national sovereignty and territorial integrity, mutual respect for international agreements to which both countries are parties, non-interference in the internal affairs of States, and equality and mutual respect; and

Committed to develop friendly and cooperative relations between the two countries;

Have agreed to establish diplomatic relations between the two countries at the Ambassadorial level as from the date of signing of this Joint Communiqué.

In witness whereof, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Joint Communiqué at the City of Manila on the 12 1 of July in the Year Two Thousand.

For the Government of the
Republic of the Philippines

For the Government of the Democratic
People's Republic of Korea

(Sgd.)
HON. DOMINGO L. SIAZON, JR.

(Sgd.)
MR. JOHN BATTLE

Secretary of Foreign Affairs

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