

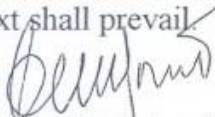
**Joint Communiqué on the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between
the Dominican Republic and the Syrian Arab Republic**

The Dominican Republic and the Syrian Arab Republic, guided by a shared willingness to develop and strengthen the ties of friendship and cooperation between the two countries, have decided to establish diplomatic relations at the level of non-resident Ambassadors.

Both parties wish to manifest their confidence in that the establishment of diplomatic relationship and the exchange of Ambassadors in between both countries will contribute to the development of the bilateral cooperation and the consolidation of world peace.

The Dominican Republic and the Syrian Arab Republic reaffirm their will to build their bilateral relationship in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and in the basis of the principles of peaceful coexistence, equally and mutual respect of sovereignty of each others' territory and the non interference in each others' internal affairs.

Done and signed in *New York*, on the *(28th)* day of September two thousand and seven (2007), in three originals Arabic, English and Spanish with the same tone and equally authentic. In case of misinterpretation The English text shall prevail



On behalf of the Dominican Republic
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