JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Republic of Burundi,

DESIROUS to promote mutual understanding and strengthen the friendship and cooperation between the two countries,

GUIDED by the principles and purposes of the United Nations Charter and international law, particularly the respect and promotion of international peace and security, equality among States, due respect for national sovereignty and territorial integrity, independence and international treaties, and non-interference in the internal affairs of States,

HAVE DECIDED to establish diplomatic relations at the Ambassadorial level, in accordance with the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of April 18, 1961, and the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations of April 24, 1963, as of the date of the signing of this Joint Communique.

In witness thereof, the undersigned representatives, duly authorized by their respective authorities, have signed this Joint Communique in two originals in English and French, both being equally authentic.

Done in New York on the 30th day of June 2017.

For the Government of the Republic of the Philippines

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For the Government of the **Republic of Burundi**

(Sgd.) H. E. Mr. Albert **SHINGIRO**

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