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His Excellency  
Fatmir Sjdiu  
President of Kosovo  
Pristina

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the people of the Republic of Palau, I hereby recognize Kosovo's sovereignty as an independent state.

We share your jubilation as we too became an independent and sovereign state in 1994 and joined the United Nations as one of its youngest members.

Our independence was made possible through the efforts of the United States of America which administered our Pacific island nation under the United Nations Trusteeship System which was inspired and guided by the principles of democracy, freedom and justice. And so it is in line with these principles that we join our closest ally and partner, the United States of America, to recognize and congratulate you and Kosovo on the occasion of its independence as a free and sovereign state.

Based upon our recognition of your independence as a sovereign state, steps are currently being taken with due diligence to establish diplomatic ties between our two countries, and I look forward to establishing our special friendship.

Sincerely,

  
Johnson Toribiong