Remarks by the Ambassador of the Republic of Poland, Ms Irena Lichnerowicz-Augustyn, on the occasion of the signature of the Declaration of Intent for the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Republic of Cyprus and the Republic of Poland

Lefkosia, 15/2/2021

Your Excellency, Mr Minister, Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Friends,

I am honoured and more than pleased to have signed with you, Mr Minister, the Declaration of Intent for the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Poland and Cyprus. Please, let me convey the best wishes and assurances of the highest esteem from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, Mr Zbigniew Rau.

Both, in the past and present, Poland and Cyprus have had many occasions to work together for bilateral, European and international benefit. Poles and Cypriots know each other very well. Before the pandemic Cyprus was in the top ten of the most popular tourist destinations for the Polish people. At the same time, more and more Cypriots decided to travel to Poland. I very much hope that in the near future it will be happening again.

I look forward to our common projects and events. I am proud to say that some provisions of the declaration have already been fulfilled. The joint logo of the celebrations has been designed and the Polish Post has edited a special anniversary postcard. In the Embassy we are working on further projects, for the time being mostly on-line but not only. In the near perspective I look forward to welcoming you, Mr Minister, and your colleagues at our National Day event in May, as well as to carrying out the Polish-Cypriot seminar on new technologies with female experts from our countries. We very much hope that the epidemiological situation will allow us to proceed with our ambitious plans, not only in spring but throughout the year.

Happy to see today two former Ambassadors of Cyprus to Poland: Ms Nafsika Krousti and Ms Kalliopi Avraam.

Once again, thank you very much, Mr Minister, and your team for constant support, enthusiasm and a great cooperation.

Είμαι πολύ χαρούμενη για την επέτειο μας. Σας ευχαριστώ πολύ για όλα.