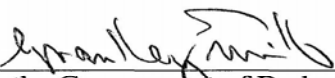
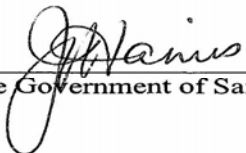


**DECLARATION BY THE FOUNDING MEMBERS  
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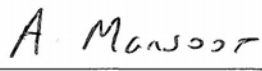
We the Founding Members of the Small States Network for Economic Development, representing our respective Governments, together with the representatives of the World Bank and of the Commonwealth Secretariat, have convened the first meeting of the Board of Trustees at the World Bank premises in Washington, DC, on Friday, 19 October 2007. We declare the Network activated and authorise the Trustee representing Malta to register the Network in Malta to give it a legal personality.


  
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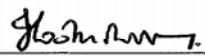
  
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