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1. In a letter dated 26 August 2011, the Union of the Comoros applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. This letter and the Director General's reply, dated 16 September 2011, are reproduced in the annexes to this document.
2. In accordance with Article 2(b) of the Constitution, the Council is required to make a decision regarding the application of the Union of the Comoros for membership and the rate of its financial contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, which the Director General recommends should be assessed at 0.0011 per cent of the total contributions that Member States are required to make to the Administrative Part of the Budget.
3. An appropriate draft resolution will be submitted to the Council for consideration.

Annex I

**LETTER DATED 26 AUGUST 2011 FROM THE MINISTER OF  
EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND COOPERATION IN CHARGE OF THE  
DIASPORA, THE FRANCOPHONIE AND THE ARAB WORLD OF THE  
UNION OF THE COMOROS TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION**

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the relationship existing between the Government of the Union of the Comoros and the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

My Government wishes to establish a closer relationship with your Organization and hereby applies for membership in the International Organization for Migration in accordance with Article 2, paragraph (b), of the IOM Constitution.

The Government of the Union of the Comoros accepts the Constitution, and the amendments thereto of 24 November 1998, in accordance with its constitutional processes and the obligations resulting from membership. It also undertakes to make a financial contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, the rate of which will be agreed upon by the IOM Council and the Government of the Union of the Comoros.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

**LETTER DATED 16 SEPTEMBER 2011 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF  
THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE  
MINISTER OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND COOPERATION IN CHARGE OF  
THE DIASPORA, THE FRANCOPHONIE AND THE ARAB WORLD OF THE  
UNION OF THE COMOROS**

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 26 August 2011, in which you inform me that the Government of the Union of the Comoros wishes to become a member of the International Organization for Migration (IOM), in accordance with Article 2, paragraph (b), of the IOM Constitution.

I note that your Government accepts the IOM Constitution, and the amendments thereto of 24 November 1998, in accordance with its constitutional processes, as well as the obligations resulting from membership, and that it undertakes to make a financial contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, the rate of which will be agreed upon by the IOM Council and your Government.

I am confident that your Government's application will be received with satisfaction by the Member States of IOM and would like to express my deep gratification at this further strengthening of the already close and cordial relationship between the Union of the Comoros and IOM.

I take pleasure in informing you that the Hundredth Session of the Council, at which your Government's application will be submitted to the Member States of IOM for approval, will be held in Geneva from 5 to 7 December 2011.

A document formally presenting your Government's application for membership will be distributed to all Member States. You will receive a copy of this document, together with further details concerning the Council session and the procedure for consideration of your country's application.

[Complimentary ending]