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1. In a letter dated 17 August 2011, Antigua and Barbuda applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. A copy of the letter and of the Director General's reply, dated 16 September 2011, are annexed.
2. In accordance with Article 2 (b) of the Constitution, the Council is required to make a decision regarding the application of Antigua and Barbuda for membership and the rate of its contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, which the Director General recommends should be assessed at 0.0022 per cent of the total contributions required from Member States to the Administrative Part of the Budget.
3. An appropriate draft resolution will be submitted to the Council for consideration.

Annex I

**LETTER DATED 17 AUGUST 2011 FROM THE PERMANENT SECRETARY
OF THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY AND LABOUR OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION**

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to the relationship existing between the Government of Antigua and Barbuda 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 Antigua and Barbuda 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 Antigua and Barbuda.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

**LETTER DATED 16 SEPTEMBER 2011 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF
THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE
PERMANENT SECRETARY OF THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY
AND LABOUR OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA**

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 17 August 2011, in which you inform me that the Government of Antigua and Barbuda 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 Constitution of IOM, 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 Antigua and Barbuda 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 it, together with further details concerning the Council session and the procedure for consideration of your country's application.

[Complimentary ending]