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**APPLICATION BY THE
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
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1. In a letter dated 19 March 2001, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. A copy of the foregoing letter and of the Director General's reply, dated 23 March 2001, are annexed.
2. In accordance with Article 2 (b) of the Constitution, the Council is required to make a decision regarding the application of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for membership and the rate of its contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, which the Director General recommends should be assessed at 5.967 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 for consideration by the Council.

Annex I

LETTER DATED 19 MARCH 2001 FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS OF THE
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
ADDRESSED 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 United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

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

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland accepts the Constitution 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 United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

LETTER DATED 23 MARCH 2001 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS
OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 19 March 2001 in which you inform me that Her Majesty's Government applies for membership in the International Organization for Migration (IOM), in accordance with Article 2, paragraph (b), of the IOM Constitution.

Your Government accepts the IOM Constitution in accordance with its constitutional processes, and the obligations resulting from membership. It thus 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 Her Majesty's Government.

I am confident that the application of Her Majesty's Government will be received with satisfaction by the Member States of IOM. At the same time, I should like to express my own deep gratification at this further strengthening of the already close and cordial relationship between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and IOM.

I take pleasure in informing you that the Eighty-first (Special) 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, on Thursday, 7 June 2001, at 3 p.m., in Conference Room XVIII at the Palais des Nations.

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

[Complimentary ending]