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**APPLICATION BY THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORGANIZATION**

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1. In a letter dated 17 July 2002, the Federal Republic of Nigeria applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. A copy of the foregoing letter and of the Director General's reply, dated 16 September 2002, 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 Federal Republic of Nigeria for membership and the rate of its contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, which the Director General recommends should be assessed at 0.063 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 17 JULY 2002 FROM THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF
THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ADDRESSED TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the relationship existing between the Federal Government of Nigeria 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 Federal Government of Nigeria 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 Federal Government of Nigeria.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

LETTER DATED 16 SEPTEMBER 2002 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 17 July 2002, ref. No. FL 251/I, in which you inform me that Nigeria wishes to become a member of the International Organization for Migration (IOM), in accordance with Article 2, paragraph (b), of the Constitution.

I note that your Government accepts the IOM Constitution in accordance with its constitutional processes and 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 action will be received with satisfaction by the Member States of IOM and I should like to express our appreciation of this further strengthening of the already close and cordial relationship between the Government of Nigeria and IOM.

I am pleased to confirm that the necessary steps will be taken to place your Government's application for membership on the agenda of the forthcoming session of the IOM Council which will be held in Geneva, from 2 to 4 December 2002.

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 concerning the Council session and the procedure for consideration of your country's application.

[Complimentary ending]