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1. In a letter dated 8 March 2013, the Republic of Suriname applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. The letter and the Director General's reply, dated 25 March 2013, 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 Republic of Suriname 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 0.0033 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 8 MARCH 2013 FROM THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE REPUBLIC OF SURINAME 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 Republic of Suriname 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 the provisions of Article 2, paragraph (b) of the IOM Constitution.

The Government of the Republic of Suriname accepts the Constitution, and the amendments thereto of 24 November 1998, in accordance with its constitutional processes as well as the obligations resulting from membership. The Government 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 Republic of Suriname.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

**LETTER DATED 25 MARCH 2013 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO
THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SURINAME**

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 8 March 2013 in which you inform me that the Republic of Suriname 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 the Government of Suriname.

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 Republic of Suriname and IOM.

I take pleasure in informing you that your Government's application will be submitted to the Member States of IOM for approval at the 102nd Special Session of the Council which will take place in Geneva on 14 June 2013.

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]