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1. In a letter dated 12 November 2014, a copy of which is appended as Annex I, the Secretary-General of the World Meteorological Organization made a formal application for his Organization to be accorded observer status at meetings of the IOM Council. The Director General's reply thereto, dated 18 November 2014, is appended as Annex II. An appropriate item will be included on the provisional agenda of the 105th Session of the Council.
2. This matter falls under rule 10 of the Rules of Procedure for the Council which provides that the Council may admit, upon their application, international organizations, governmental or non-governmental, concerned with migration, refugees or human resources as observers at its meetings.
3. An appropriate draft resolution will be submitted to the Council when this matter comes up for decision.

Annex I

**LETTER DATED 12 NOVEMBER 2014 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE  
WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL  
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION**

Dear Mr Swing,

I wish to refer to the contacts established between the International Organization for Migration (IOM), and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO). IOM's programme and activities in the field of migration are of great interest to the WMO and we would wish to establish a closer relationship with your Organization. To this end, I am pleased to offer that we develop an MoU to clarify further the relationships between our two organizations.

I am pleased to inform you that the WMO desires to take part in the work of the International Organization for Migration as an observer to the meetings of the IOM Council and I shall appreciate your taking the necessary steps to submit this request to the Council for its consideration.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

**LETTER DATED 18 NOVEMBER 2014 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF  
THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE  
SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL  
ORGANIZATION**

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I have the pleasure to refer to your letter of 12 November 2014 seeking observer status for the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) in the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

I note with appreciation the role of WMO in protecting life and property and in enhancing the economic and social well-being of all sectors of society through facilitating the free and unrestricted international exchange of basic meteorological data and products. I also highly appreciate WMO's participation in IOM's side event entitled "How to Integrate Migration into Adaptation Strategies & Planning" at the 18th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Doha, Qatar. With the existing collaboration between WMO and IOM within the HLCP's Working Group on Climate Change, and IOM's participation in WMO's recent Conference on Gender Dimensions of Weather and Climate Services, as well as the information sharing between our respective organizations relating to the impact of climate change on migration, it is my belief that both our organizations could benefit from a further strengthening of this relationship.

It will be possible to take the necessary action to place your request before the IOM Council during its next regular session, to be held in Geneva from 25 to 28 November 2014. An appropriate document formally presenting your application will be distributed to all Member and Observer States prior to the November 2014 Council session. You will receive a copy of this document, together with further details and procedural information concerning the Council session.

A formal invitation to attend the session, during which the World Meteorological Organization's application for observer status is presented to the Member States, will also be sent to you.

It gives me great pleasure to receive your request for observer status. Allow me therefore to express my satisfaction at the prospect of furthering the relationship between our two organizations.

[Complimentary ending]