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In a letter dated 25 June 2013, Turkmenistan applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. The letter and the Director General's reply, dated 5 July 2013, are reproduced in the annexes to this document.

In accordance with Article 2(b) of the Constitution, the Council is required to make a decision regarding the application of Turkmenistan 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 0.0282 per cent of the total contributions required from Member States to the Administrative Part of the Budget.

An appropriate draft resolution will be submitted to the Council for consideration.

Annex I

LETTER DATED 25 JUNE 2013 FROM THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF TURKMENISTAN TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the relationship existing between the Government of Turkmenistan and the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

The Government of Turkmenistan 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 Turkmenistan 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 Turkmenistan.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

LETTER DATED 5 JULY 2013 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF TURKMENISTAN

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 25 June 2013 in which you inform me that Turkmenistan 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 Turkmenistan.

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 Turkmenistan 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 $103^{\rm rd}$ Session of the Council which will take place in Geneva on 26-29 November 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]