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1. In a Note Verbale dated 14 August, a copy of which is appended as Annex I, the Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Nepal made a formal application for his country to be accorded observer status at meetings of the IOM Council. The Administration's reply thereto, dated 27 August, is appended as Annex II. An appropriate item will be included in the provisional agenda for the Council's Eighty-second Session.

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, non-member States as observers at its meetings.

3. If the Council so decides, the Kingdom of Nepal will be included among the non-member States listed in paragraph 1 of Resolution No. 753 (LVIII).

4. An appropriate draft resolution will be submitted to the Council when this matter comes up for decision.

Annex I

NOTE VERBALE DATED 14 AUGUST 2001 FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE KINGDOM OF NEPAL ADDRESSED TO THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION

The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Nepal to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and has the honour to express the interest of the delegation of Nepal to participate in the meetings of the IOM in the capacity of an Observer.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

NOTE VERBALE DATED 27 AUGUST 2001 FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE KINGDOM OF NEPAL

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Nepal to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of its Note Verbale No. IOM-206, dated 14 August 2001, conveying the interest of the Kingdom of Nepal to participate in the meetings of IOM in the capacity of an Observer.

The International Organization for Migration is pleased to confirm that necessary action shall be taken for inscription of the Nepalese Government's request on the agenda of the next session of the IOM Council, to be held in Geneva from 27 to 29 November 2001. An appropriate document formally presenting the application of the Kingdom of Nepal will be distributed to all Member States and Observers in due course; a copy of it, together with further details and procedural information concerning the Council session, will be sent to the Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Nepal.

[Complimentary ending]