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- 1. In a letter dated 23 November 2004, the Federative Republic of Brazil applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. A copy of the letter and of the Director General's reply, dated 25 November 2004, 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 Federative Republic of Brazil for membership and the rate of its contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, which the Director General recommends should be assessed at 1.702 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 23 NOVEMBER 2004 FROM THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL ADDRESSED TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION

Sir,

As you are aware, Brazil participates, as an observer, in the International Organization for Migration – IOM.

As a result of this participation, the Brazilian Government has decided to apply for membership in accordance with Article 2, paragraph (b) of the IOM Constitution.

The Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil accepts the IOM Constitution and the amendments of November 24th, 1998, in accordance with its constitutional processes and the obligations resulting from full 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 Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil.

[Complimentary ending]

#### Annex II

# LETTER DATED 25 NOVEMBER 2004 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 23 November 2004 in which you inform us that the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil 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 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 your Government.

I am confident that your Government's action 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 long-standing relationship between Brazil 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 next session of the IOM Council, to be held in Geneva from 30 November to 3 December 2004.

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]