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1. In a letter dated 23 February 2010, received on 19 April 2010, the Central African Republic applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. A copy of the letter and of the Director General's reply, dated 27 April 2010, 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 Central African Republic for membership and the rate of its contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, which the Director General recommends should be assessed at 0.0011 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 23 FEBRUARY 2010 FROM THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND THE FRANCOPHONE WORLD OF THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the relations existing between the Government of the Central African Republic and the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

My Government wishes to establish closer relations with your Organization and has the honour to apply for membership of the International Organization for Migration, pursuant to Article 2 (b) of the IOM Constitution.

The Government of the Central African Republic accepts the Constitution, including the amendments thereto of 24 November 1998, in accordance with its constitutional processes, along with the obligations resulting from membership. 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 the Central African Republic.

[Complimentary ending]

Annex II

LETTER DATED 27 APRIL 2010 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND THE FRANCOPHONE WORLD OF THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt, on 19 April 2010, of your letter of 23 February 2010, Ref. 0091/MAEIRF/DIRCAB/CM, informing me that the Central African Republic wishes to become a Member of the International Organization for Migration (IOM), in accordance with Article 2 (b) of the Constitution.

I note that your Government accepts the IOM Constitution, and the amendments thereto of 24 November 1998, in accordance with its constitutional processes, as well as the obligations resulting from membership. 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 our deep gratification at this strengthening of relations between the Central African Republic and the Organization.

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 on 29 November 2010.

A document formally presenting your Government's application for membership will be circulated 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]