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- 1. In a letter dated 19 May 2006, the Republic of Mauritius applied for membership in the International Organization for Migration. A copy of the letter and of the Director General's reply, dated 24 May 2006, 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 Republic of Mauritius for membership and the rate of its contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, which the Director General recommends should be assessed at 0.035 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 19 MAY 2006 FROM THE ACTING SECRETARY TO CABINET AND HEAD OF THE CIVIL SERVICE, PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, OF THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Mauritius has agreed to apply for membership to the International Organization for Migration in accordance with Article 2, paragraph (b) of the IOM Constitution.

The Government of Mauritius accepts the Constitution and the amendments thereto of 24 November 1998, in accordance with its constitutional process and the obligations resulting from membership. It also undertakes to make a financial contribution to the administrative requirements of the Organization, to the tune of US\$ 11,000 for a full year.

[Complimentary ending]

#### Annex II

LETTER DATED 24 MAY 2006 FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION TO THE ACTING SECRETARY TO CABINET AND HEAD OF THE CIVIL SERVICE, PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, OF THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 19 May 2006 in which you inform me that the Government of the Republic of Mauritius 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 cordial relationship between the Republic of Mauritius 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.

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]